

July 22, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

RE: Support for Alternative 7 Children's Hospital Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I am impressed that the City of Seattle and Children's Hospital have spent so much time working with the community to design a plan that meets our needs.

Alternative 7 is the favorable expansion option because it orients the new building to the West away from the residential neighborhood and keeps access to the hospital on busy streets.

Thank you,



Janet Aemmer
5630 200 St. SW
Lynwood, WA
98026

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July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold

Department of Planning and Development

P. O. Box 34019

Seattle, WA 98124-4019

To Mr Ringgold:

I live in the NE Seattle area and am very glad to know that the city has found a way to expand the hospital with very little impact on the neighborhood. Of course a larger hospital will mean more traffic in the area, but this is not entirely a negative consequence. More people coming to NE Seattle boosts local businesses. I do want to thank you for keeping access to the hospital on the busy thoroughway of Sand Point Way.

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Sincerely,

Lainoy C. AlaiMalo

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Seattle, WA 98109

Barbara E. Alban
6825 117th Avenue, NE
Kirkland, WA 98033

4 July 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Subject: Children's Hospital Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have lived in this area for over 12 years. During this time I have heard very positive things about Children's Hospital from friends and family members who have used its services. Given the increase in population of the area, and the attraction of people from outside the area to the expertise provided by the Hospital, there is no question about the need for the expansion.

Alternative 7 accomplishes this needed expansion with the least possible negative impact on the immediate neighbors as well as on the neighborhood generally. Views are preserved and traffic impacts are minimized.

I highly recommend that the City of Seattle approve this plan to enable the Hospital to increase its level of care to the community and to those who rely on it from the entire region.

Sincerely,



Barbara E. Alban

Jackie Alexander
8057 Crest Drive NE
Seattle, WA 98115

June 26, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I have lived in this community for 30 years and have raised my two children in the supportive neighborhoods of View Ridge and Sand Point. It has been a blessing having Children's Hospital and Medical Center right at our doorstep. There have been three occasions where we have been fortunate to be serviced by the fantastic and professional staff...one of which saved the life of my nephew.

For this and other reasons, I support the Alternative 7 Expansion Plan. The Laurelón Terrace Alternative 7 master expansion plan addresses the long-term needs of our community. I appreciate Children's Hospital's efforts towards addressing community issues, such as traffic impacts, pediatric research and care and many new job opportunities. It is apparent that all these and other community issues have been addressed. We are so very fortunate to have a world-renowned medical facility as a neighbor, and I am very excited that they have chosen to continue to invest in their presence in our community.

Sincerely,



Jackie Alexander

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>>> Nic Alexander <nhalex@hotmail.com> 6/30/2008 9:34 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing you to ask your support for the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I grew up in the Sandpoint/View Ridge neighborhood of Seattle, and have known many families touched by the medical miracles of Children's Hospital. Please support the expansion of Children's Hospital so they can continue to serve the needs of the children in our community.

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Children's Hospital has listened to the concerns and wishes of the community in developing the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. This plan minimizes traffic congestion in the area, adds a new transit hub, lowers building elevations, and allows the hospital to continue operating with minimal disruption. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan takes into consideration the needs of surrounding neighbors, and deserves your full support.

Sincerely,
Nic H. Alexander
8057 Crest Dr NE
Seattle, WA 98115

<janderk@comcast.net> 6/25/2008 6:47 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing in support of the Children's Hospital expansion and the selection of Alternative 7, the Laurelon selection.

Though, admittedly, I am not an expert on all the ins-and-outs of the proceedings of the expansion, I DO know two things: 1) I am in support of quality healthcare for children, and 2) There are more people out there that either don't care about the expansion, or agree with me on the support of it...We just aren't as loud.

I live just two blocks from the hospital, and I teach kindergarten at Laurelhurst Elementary just blocks away. I am proud to be a neighbor in both cases. We have had important field trips to the hospital where we were greeted enthusiastically, thanked emphatically for donations we made, and feel a kinship to the service we provide to children.

Living in the neighborhood, I have also been privy to the emails that are written that are against the expansion. This is a group of very organized people who pretend to know "everything" about and contend that they are "protecting" our community. I, too, protect my community, and Alternative 7 decreases impact to the immediate neighbors. This is due to the fact that the hospital appears to try very hard to let the community be informed about and is willing to work together to listen to community concerns. For example, I very much appreciate the fact that the entrance to Children's will stay on the Sand Point Way side and the NE 45th street entrance was taken off the plan. The hospital is a good neighbor.

A very dear friend of mine has a child with neuroblastoma and hearing about how their son has had to share a room with another sick child is heart-wrenching and unfair. If the quality of care can continue and also serve the families as a whole with private rooms, again, I am proud to be a neighbor of an institution that cares.

Children's has also shown that they are willing to listen when they worked with Ms. Jan Kirkwood, and Mr. Peter Buck as they negotiated great sales of condos at Laurelon Terrace. Now, the buildings won't be as high. Thank you, we can continue to have our privacy, and so can the patients. (I also know two owners who feel very good about the results of this transaction!)

In conclusion, I am proud to be a neighbor of Children's Hospital and have no issues with the expansion which will serve sick children and their families in a way they deserve...with honor and respect.

Thank you for your time,
Jen Anderson

>>> ANJALI ASTHANA <aasthana@wisc.edu> 7/8/2008 6:54 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing this letter in support of Seattle Children's Hospital. During my time at the University of Washington-Seattle I decided to volunteer at The Children's Hospital in the Child Life Department. For about 4 hours a week I was able to play with a couple of children who had requested a volunteer to play with. Through this experience I was able to witness how amazing the Children's Hospital truly is. Everyone is so dedicated to making these children feel better and allow them to lead normal lives. Seattle Children's Hospital is a true innovation. All in all, the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 Expansion Plan will allow Children's Hospital innovations to reach out to children who may not have these resources right at hand.

Thank you for your time, best of luck at reaching a decision. I truly hope this e-mail helps pass this plan.

Sincerely,
Anjali Asthana

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July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Dear Mr Ringgold:

Please support alternative 7. This expansion plan is so important to the hospital, and resultantly to the community.

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Thank you for working so hard with the hospital and the community to design a solution that works for everyone.

Sincerely,



Muriel Auvinen
9526 235th St SW
Edmonds, WA 98020

>>> "Avellino, Anthony" <anthony.avellino@seattlechildrens.org> 7/24/2008
2:10 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing in support of the expansion of Seattle Children's Hospital, and specifically the plan known as "alternative # 7" which would utilize the land currently occupied by the Laurelon Terrace Community.

I am currently the Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Seattle Children's Hospital and a resident of Laurelhurst. I trained at Children's and was the hospital's first pediatric neurosurgery fellow; thus, I am very passionate about Children's and the great pediatric healthcare that it provides. At Children's, we believe in providing family- and patient-centered care. However, in order to successfully deliver this kind of care, we need to keep the best interests of our patients and families in mind with every decision we make. Our patients and families are why we need to grow as we are simply running out of space. Over the past year, we have been at hospital capacity and I have had to call patients and families to let them know that their operation was cancelled due to lack of beds. Further, chronically ill children, who account for 80% of the patients in the hospital on any given day, are surviving longer and they need to receive care at a full-service pediatric hospital, like Seattle Children's Hospital, where they can access a variety of subspecialists. In addition, the expansion would create more single-patient rooms, that afford children and their families' privacy and helps stop the spread of infectious disease which is a real threat to children with already compromised immune systems.

Like many people throughout Seattle and the Pacific Northwest, I realize how lucky I am, as a parent, to have a top-ranked children's hospital in my backyard. If my child falls and breaks a bone, we are literally minutes away from some of the best care available anywhere. I am proud to be a part of Children's staff, which continually provides the very best patient care and treatments that simply are not available anywhere else in the region. Seattle Children's Hospital is truly a source of pride for many in our city and region, and certainly, all of us who work at Children's believe in what we do.

Seattle Children's Hospital is truly one of the gems of the Pacific Northwest, and alternative #7 proposal is by far the best solution for both the community and Children's Hospital as it would limit the noise, traffic, and height impacts to the local community.

Thank you for your time,
Anthony M. Avellino, MD
Jennifer C. Avellino

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Matt Badger
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July 6, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you because I strongly support the Laurelon Terrace
Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I am unable to attend
the public hearing on July 10th, but I want you to know that the
community is behind this plan. Alternative 7 addresses the concerns we
voiced about a Children's Hospital expansion. Please support this
plan.

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Sincerely,

Matt Badger

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>>> "Bahr, Nicole" <NBahr@russell.com> 7/2/2008 2:07 PM >>>

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and
Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Attention Scott Ringgold:

As a child, Children's Hospital saved my life. During a summer camp I had fallen and started experiencing a great deal of pain, but no one could identify the problem. It took over 6 months and numerous doctors until my family finally arrived at Children's Hospital where the doctors correctly identified the burst cyst and rebuilt my damaged internal organs during a non-elective emergency surgery that lasted into the early morning hours. Had there not been space for me at Children's Hospital, the best doctors to conduct my surgery would not have been available for emergency surgery at a time when I had lost almost 30% of my weight and was increasingly weak and sickly. I will always be grateful for the space and care Children's Hospital provided to save my life.

Today I am a business analyst for Russell Investment Group. I have received my BA from University of Washington and my MBA from Seattle University. I own a condo in Fremont and am the president of my homeowners association. As an active, healthy 32 year old, I have plans to backpack through the enchantments this summer outside of Leavenworth. And I am active in my local community, volunteering to teach grade school kids on the week-end and gardening at Marra Farms to provide organic produce to local food banks. I am also a member of the Fremont Neighborhood Council and a fundraiser for local P-Patch developments such as Hazel Heights and for organizations helping refugee women. I am who I am today and have the ability to financially and physically support my local community because of the role Children's Hospital played in my life.

As a local resident in the Fremont neighborhood and a Seattle native, I have experienced first-hand the exponential growth of new residences, traffic, noise and pollution that accompany growth in our region. I realize that these are consequences to living in a city that attracts people

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worldwide. While I recognize the present issues, I believe that we cannot let short-term issues trump long-term growth plans. We need to make responsible decisions about the type of city we want to live in that will impact us not just for the next 5 years, but for the next 50. I believe it is imperative that we make the responsible decision to expand Children's Hospital through the well-researched approach of Alternative 7. These children we help today are our future community leaders of tomorrow and it is important to continue that cycle of growth in our community.

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Sincerely,
Nicole Bahr, Business Analyst

July 24, 2008

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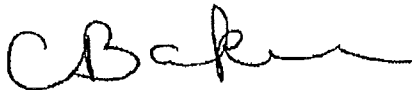
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. Seattle Children's Hospital has brought such energy to our community - and the miracles they perform every day are an inspiration to us all and the rest of the world.

I urge you to recognize that without expanding, our beloved hospital will have difficulty serving our community with such excellence as it always has. More patient beds are in critical need, and this expansion is crucial.

Please support the health and strength of your community by supporting Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Christine Baker
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Monroe 98272

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Department of Planning and Development
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

CC: Mayor Greg Nickels; CAC

July 23, 2008

Dear Mr Ringgold:

I am a Ravenna/Bryant resident who supports Alternative 7. This expansion plan offers lower building heights and keeps hospital traffic off residential streets. As a neighbor who spends a lot of time in the hospital area, I am excited that a new transit station will be part of the expansion. This is a great solution to the traffic problems associated with bringing more people to our neighborhood.

Thank you,



Sean Bartlett
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Jeff Bates
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June 24, 2008

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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a resident of Greenlake and I have recently become aware of the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) Expansion Plan. I moved into the area within the last year, and almost immediately became aware of the world class medical facilities within Seattle. Children's Hospital is clearly one of those facilities, as families travel from all over the country to have the medical needs of their children served as they could be nowhere else. To me, the health and well-being of our children must take precedence over the self-centered concerns over traffic and construction by the people within the surrounding neighborhoods.

From what I understand, Children's Hospital has taken every complaint into consideration and modified their expansion plan accordingly. The current plan offers an expansion that will not impose on the neighbors in the way they expressed concern, and it would allow for the hospital to care for as many patients as possible, as well as to conduct research that has made them the kind of world class institution that they are.

Sincerely,
Jeff Bates



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July 23, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have lived in the Seattle area for long enough to understand the importance of Children's Hospital to our community. Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital.

This plan will create a solution that is compatible with the needs of this hospital and community. Thank you for supporting us in this expansion to allow more beds for the sick children who need them.

Sincerely,

Karmen Battle

Karmen Battle
416 SW 155th St
Apt 4
Seattle, WA 98166

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>>> "dcbauman" <dcbauman@q.com> 7/11/2008 2:47 PM >>>

DEAR SCOTT,

My husband and I are in full support of the expansion of Childrens Hospital. WE would not have three (TRIPLET) grand daughters if it were not for the wonderful early childhood care. They are Perfect and would not have been so if they had been born somewhere where the care was inadequate. WE appreciate the quality of care that Childrens Hospital provides. Thank you for your consideration. 1

Sincerely,

Carole and David Bauman

Jeanie Benaroya
127 Third Avenue
#602
Kirkland, Washington 98033

July 22, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing to express my full support of Children's Hospital's plans for growth in Laurelhurst. More specifically, I support Alternative 7 because I believe it presents an incredible opportunity for the hospital to grow in the way that it needs while still maintaining the character of the neighborhood.

I first became involved with Children's twelve years ago when I began volunteering at the hospital every Wednesday. I saw firsthand how vital the hospital is for our children. I'm still there and I look forward to every Wednesday. My husband, Al and I have also been involved in a guild to raise money for the hospital. There are so many families who would not be able to reap the benefits of the superior staff if it weren't for the policy of serving all children no matter what their finances are.

In October of 2002, our granddaughter, who was 11-months-old was admitted to Children's Hospital with seizures. We weren't sure what it was, but the doctors in the neurology department went to work immediately to diagnose the problem. She was diagnosed with Infantile Spasms. There was never a question about not taking care of her. Due to the dedication of the doctors and their staff, today she is doing beautifully and we truly owe it all to Children's Hospital. We know how fortunate we have been to have the hospital so close. Not everyone can say that. As a result of the wonderful care our granddaughter received, we have set up an endowment for the research of children's epilepsy.

A sick child should never have to be turned away from a hospital – for any reason. In the past months, however, Children's could not accommodate several children who needed admission to its intensive-care unit. Today, Children's needs us. The hospital is at capacity and must grow in order to continue providing the kind of specialized pediatric care we've come to depend on. I feel deeply that it is our duty to ensure the hospital is allowed to grow, so that it can continue to treat all children in our region, regardless of their family's ability to pay.

Please join me in support of Seattle Children's Hospital's draft of its Major Institution Plan and Environmental Impact Statement.

Sincerely,

Jeanie Benaroya

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center
c/o Steve Sheppard

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July 20, 2008

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DEPARTMENT OF
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

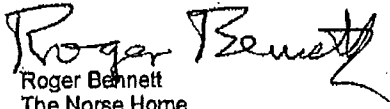
I am writing to express my support for the expansion plans proposed by Children's Hospital and the Citizens Advisory Committee. I came to the University of Washington as a health planner in 1970 to help launch the highly successful WAMI program—an initiative to provide training in rural areas for medical residents. I worked with physicians and administrators at Children's Hospital. Now, I volunteer weekly at Children's. My daughter has worked there for over 25 years. I have continued to be impressed with the high quality of care provided by the hospital.

I have done facility planning for university medical centers across the United States. It is obvious that Children's Hospital has done a thorough job of assessing needs and making a plan that will assure they can provide adequate care for children today and in the future.

I believe one critical aspect of the plan is to remain physically close to the University of Washington. The relationship between the two organizations and the shortage of physician subspecialists requires efficiency in the facility location. While I think that ambulatory operations can be done well in multiple sites, it makes sense to locate the inpatient portion of the hospital in one place.

The role of the city in this process is important. Thank you for soliciting feedback about these expansion plans.

Cordially,


Roger Bennett
The Norse Home
5301 Phinney North #515
Seattle, WA 98103

Cc:
Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center
c/o Steve Sheppard

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JEANNE L. BERTINO, D.M.D.
12736 Riviera Place NE
Seattle, WA 98125

June 23, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing in support of the Alternative 7 proposal for the Children's Hospital Expansion Plan. I am a twenty-year resident of North Seattle. I am a dentist on North 125th Street, and I treat a large number of Children's Hospital personnel. I have the utmost respect for the mission of Children's. It is noble. It is exceptional in its level of service and skill to the community. Because I live in North Seattle and I work in North Seattle, I am acutely aware of the conflict between the needs of the residential community and the needs of the hospital community. For over twenty years, I have sat in the living rooms of people in the community who have lived in fear of the expansion of Children's Hospital. Children's Hospital has been like the "PAC-MAN" computer game that gobbles up opponents or threatens to gobble up opponents. Most threats from Children's Hospital were absorbable or acceptable until the proposal for two tall towers, which would destroy a community and destroy neighbors' hopes and dreams for their lifestyles and their family dreams. The Laurelhurst community is not a throw away community. It is not a disposable community. It is a solid, committed community which supports the University of Washington and Children's Hospital which threatens to destroy its tranquility, peacefulness, and beauty.

When the Alternative 7 Laurelhurst Expansion Plan was proposed, it was a breath of fresh air and a reasonable proposal to fulfill many needs. It allows Children's Hospital to expand in order to fulfill its grand destiny without "trashing" a neighborhood which does not deserve to be trashed. Most of us accept that Children's Hospital needs to expand but are resistant to the concept that city expansion has a blank check to destroy neighborhoods that make Seattle special. There is a reason why many of us from the East Coast have decided to make Seattle our home. It is because we want to see mountains and sky lines. We are running away from overbuilding and overcrowding. THAT is one of the reasons why Children's Hospital has an extraordinary staff of outstanding world-class practitioners.

We do not stay in Seattle to see high rise buildings and overcrowding. We stay in Seattle for the wonderful things that make it Seattle. Please do NOT destroy a good thing. The Laurelhurst Terrace Proposal is a reasonable and liveable compromise. It serves many people and many needs with low impact on the neighboring community.

If I wanted to be in New York, I would have stayed in New York.

Thank you for your time and consideration. This is important.

Regards,


Jeanne L. Bertino, D.M.D.

Lorenzo Betancourt
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July 6, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Dear Scott,

I strongly support the expansion of Children's Hospital according to the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan. I have lived in the Northeast Seattle area for a long time, and recognize the important services that Children's Hospital offers the children and families of our community. It is important that Children's Hospital expand so that they can continue to meet the growing demand for pediatric medical care. The Alternative 7 plan offers the best expansion plan for both the hospital and the neighbors. I urge you to support this plan.

Thank you,



July 24, 2008

**Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Dear Scott Ringgold,

I am taking this opportunity to voice my support of the Alternative 7 expansion plan. Children's Hospital is a deeply valued part of our Seattle community, and they must expand in order to continue performing the miracles they do every day.

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Thank you for all the work you have done with the city and our hospital to create the best solution for everyone. Please continue to improve Seattle by supporting the Alternative 7.

Regards,



**Karen Bishop
6837 50th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98115**

>>> Alan Black <alanfblack@hotmail.com> 7/25/2008 4:17 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have lived in Seattle some 80 years and during this time some of my children and grandchildren have been extremely lucky to have had Children's Hospital available to them. As the City and surrounding population grows the facilities at this remarkable hospital should be expanded to serve the larger community. I would like to add my personal and extended family's support for Alternative 7 in the comment period record for the draft environmental impact statement. As an aside, my wife's Grandmother, Anna Herr Clise, was one of the founders of Children's Orthopedic Hospital. I would like to think that she would have encouraged us in our support for this expansion.

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Sincerely Yours,
Alan Black

July 22, 2008

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CC: Mayor Greg Nickels; Citizens Advisory Committee

Dear Scott Ringgold:

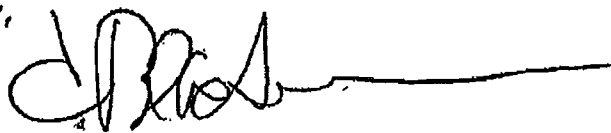
Please support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This expansion plan is best for the city because it meets the needs of the hospital for the next 20 years. That means that the community will not have to review another expansion proposal for many years.

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Alternative 7 provides for the neighborhood traffic concerns with a new transit hub and puts access to the hospital on the busy streets. This will minimize the traffic impact on residential streets.

Thank you carefully considering this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Blackman', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

David Blackman
Owner of *Select Hair Salon*
3230 NE 45th St.
Seattle, WA 98105
206-523-5215

Kristen Blackman
6241 53rd Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98115

July 22, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Land Use Planner
P O Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr Ringgold:

I have worked at Select Hair Salon on Sand Point Way near Children's Hospital since 1973. I strongly support the Alternative 7 expansion plan of Children's Hospital. My neice Fallon has been a patient of the hospital for over ten years. She spent the first three years of her life living at the hospital and was the "Stroke Hero" for two straight years. Throughout the years she has received excellent care.

It is important to me to support the expansion because I want to ensure that the children of our community can receive the same excellent care that Fallon received at Children's Hospital.

Children's creates a family atmosphere for those who are there long-term. I have very strong feelings for the community of Children's Hospital patients and families. The hospital takes care of not only the patients, but their families too. I have often visited the hospital to offer my salon services to those who need someone to cut their hair and provide social and emotional support.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE 7.

Sincerely,



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July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Scott Ringgold,

For years, as a member of the Seattle community, I have experienced the benefits that Children's Hospital provides to our neighborhood. The collaborative team efforts of the hospital is energizing, and provides an incomprable to our community.

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In order to continue providing their services, the Alternative 7 expansion is necessary. We need your support.

Sincerely,



Robert Blake
3809 Whitman Ave N #38
Seattle, WA 98103

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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

June 26, 2008

Attn: Scott Ringgold-

My name is Kristy Boatman and I am a former owner at the Laurelon Terrace Condominiums. My immediate family and I have lived in the Seattle area for many years. In fact my sister and brother both live very close to Children's Hospital and are raising children b/c it is such a great community. In fact, my niece and nephew as newborns both had to go to Children's unexpectedly and had amazing care.

I have heard about the expansion of Children's Hospital and I am in full support of this effort. I am a volunteer for the Make-A-Wish foundation and have visited many children with life threatening illness at this facility. My experience with the staff has been wonderful and the feedback I have received from the families I have worked with there has been positive as well. All of the families could not say enough about how wonderful the facility and staff had been during their stay there. With that said, I feel it is very important to increase the capacity so other children can have the amazing medical care and support other children and families have been able to received from Children's Hospital.

I support Alternative 7 100%. It addresses the issues the community has been worried about and this particular plan will also help reduce traffic on residential streets and have a minimal impact on neighbors.

Children's Hospital adds great value to our community. I think it is very important we not only expand the facility for others in need but also keep in mind the neighborhood needs and I truly believe Alternative 7 is the best option to make this happen.

Sincerely,

Kristy Boatman
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Seattle, WA 98136
206-355-8478 (Cell)

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To: Scott Ringgold
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Dear Scott,

I have lived in the Northeast Seattle area for the past 45 years. I currently live in the Ravenna neighborhood. I work in the Ravenna neighborhood and shop, drive and spend the majority of my time in the area. I have 4 children and they have (if it were labeled so) been frequent flyers at Children's Hospital over the past 18 years.

I have been attending community meetings about the planned expansion and would like to send you my endorsement of plan seven. I have been severely impacted by the increasing density in housing and traffic over the past several years in the North part of Seattle. Plan seven with its new transit options will help to reduce traffic densities in my neighborhood.

I would further endorse the Laurelon Terrace option (plan 7) as it addresses the long range growth and development needs of the hospital. With land costs and home prices continuing to climb this option allows the hospital to acquire land for future growth beyond the projected 20 year plan. Keeping the current height to the buildings is of importance as well. Looking at the intrusion pictures on-line of the other plans sight lines from various areas of the city was a real eye opener for me. The impact on sight lines from plan seven seem to have the least impact of all of the options on northend views.

As a graduate of the UofW in Biology, I find great value in having a teaching and research pediatric hospital in Seattle, close to the UofW and near my children. Not addressing the expansion plans of the hospital means risking the loss of the research parts of the program as the healthcare parts expand.

I would like to reiterate my endorsement of plan seven, as I feel it best addresses the needs of the hospital in terms of current and future growth with the addition of several acres of land, and best meets the needs of the surrounding community.

Thank you,


Bob Bollard

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July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you to stress the need for the Alternative 7 expansion plan. As a Seattle resident and supporter of Children's Hospital, I see and realize the immediate need of the hospital for more patient beds. They are already over their capacity, and they need to expand in order to continue to meet the demands that excellent patient care requires.

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We are counting on you for your support of the Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Sincerely,

Gayle Bonato

Gayle Bonato
16203 38th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98155

Christina Boots
200 West Pilchuck Road
Granite Falls, WA 98252

June 30, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr Ringgold:

I have lived in the Seattle area my entire life, and as a parent of a two-year old, I am glad to have Children's Hospital in my neighborhood. I currently live in Granite Falls, but have been a Seattle resident for a long time and am moving back to the city soon.

I support the Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion because I think it best serves the needs of the hospital. It is critical that the Seattle residents do all they can to facilitate the work of the hospital. Children's Hospital takes care of the most urgent needs of Seattle's most vulnerable population. They need to expand to meet the medical needs of the children in our area, and we need to help them do that.

Children should be put first. At Children's Hospital, they are always put first. Now we need to allow Children's Hospital to continue doing their exemplary work.

Sincerely,

Christina Boots

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July 23, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

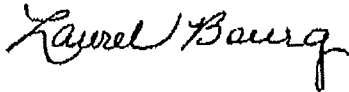
I am writing you this letter because I support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. I have lived in NE Seattle for many years and realize what an important asset the hospital is to our neighborhood.

Though an expansion project poses some traffic threats, I trust that the City of Seattle and Children's Hospital will work diligently to mitigate these impacts. Children's Hospital has already shown their willingness to accommodate the needs of the neighbors by developing the Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Alternative 7 adds a new transit hub to improve local traffic conditions. The new buildings will be to the West of the existing hospital, away from residential properties. And the access points to the hospital will remain only on busy streets.

I urge you to support Alternative 7.

Respectfully yours,



Laurel Bourg
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Seattle, WA 98105

>>> "Braun-Kelly, Ellen" <Ellen.Braun-Kelly@seattlechildrens.org> 7/1/
2008 11:09 AM >>>

Dear Scott:

I am writing not only as an employee of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center, but also as a parent. I have the good fortune of living in the area very close to Children's hospital. I love this area. All three of my kids have come to Children's hospital at some point during their lives. I always felt as they were growing, that we were lucky to have the best hospital nearby in case they ever needed it, and they did.

Needless to say, when I took this job, I felt a special bond with the hospital. Every time I enter the hospital doors, I see families with all sorts of issues, some with medical conditions rare and delicate, many with cancer, and I know that they are in a place that is best for their kids.

I also am quite happy with Children's as an employer. Since employees are encouraged to seek alternative transportation, I walk to work and/or take busses when the weather is bad. However, the city busses from my house to Children's Campus are limited. I am hoping that there will be more shuttle access at various points close to the hospital. Children's transportation is working hard to remedy these problems. We all respect the neighborhood, and parking around the vicinity in the neighborhoods is strictly prohibited by the Hospital and tickets are issued.

I see the expansion of this hospital as very necessary to ensure that kids can keep getting quality care. The hospital is very crowded and patients in rooms are doubled. We need more room for them. With all that Children's transportation is doing to make it easy for employees to commute alternatively, this growth should not make a large traffic impact.

Thank you for listening to my viewpoint. I ask you to please consider this.

Ellen Braun-Kelly
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>>> "Kathy Brewer" <kathy.brewer@comcast.net> 7/23/2008 12:11 AM >>>

Letter of Support for Children's Hospital Growth Plan - Alternative 7

Dear City of Seattle Department of Planning and Development,

I am writing to offer my strong support of the plan by Seattle Children's Hospital to expand the hospital via the alternative 7 growth plan.

I have been an employee at Children's Hospital for over 12 years, but more importantly I am a parent of two children who have directly benefited from the specialty services at Children's and a resident of North Seattle, living in the Wedgwood neighborhood.

I have firsthand knowledge as a City of Seattle resident and consumer of Children's Hospital's services — of the crucial role that Children's has played in the lives of my children and the children of our city, state and region.

My first experience at Children's was over 13 years ago when my two month old infant son was diagnosed with a bilateral hernia and needed immediate surgery to prevent subsequent injury. As a new parent, it was very frightening to have my son undergo surgery. Because he was so young, he had to stay overnight in the hospital to ensure he recovered from anesthesia and surgery. The quality of this initial hospital stay was so incredible - from the expert surgeon who relieved our anxiety before the surgery and conducted the surgery, to the kind and caring nurses who cared for our son. At the time of this surgery, Children's still had rooms with 4 patients and we were unfortunate to be placed in one of those rooms. That was the least pleasant part of our stay - having to share the room with 3 other families and children and being kept awake by other children crying or fussing. And then when my infant son needed to be fed and woke up in the middle of the night — I was so uncomfortable because now we were disrupting the sleep of other families. I applaud Children's goal of establishing single family rooms from the family-centered care component, confidentiality reasons, and most importantly for infection control purposes.

Since that first hospital experience, I have been back to Children's emergency department many times, and have had several hospital stays with my two sons for acute asthma episodes, respiratory syncytial virus, a cut chin requiring sutures and stitches, and a broken collarbone. On each and every visit I have been impressed with the quality of services and care that my children have received, and felt immensely grateful that Children's services were accessible to my family.

Children's needs to grow in order to meet the needs of Seattle families like mine, and those families who reside across Washington and the WAMI region. Children's has always been a good neighbor and very sensitive to the impact of their growth on the Laurelhurst neighborhood, and I trust they will continue to do so. I have been impressed with the responsiveness of

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Children's planning team in developing strategies to grow in a manner that has least impact on the neighborhood in terms of view, traffic, and safety. I am confident that alternative 7 is a plan that can work for everyone - and is in the best interest of our city, state and region.

I ask you to please approve the alternative 7 growth plan for Children's Hospital. As we have incredible breakthroughs in medicine, at the same time our society remains at high risk for epidemics such as SAR, flu outbreaks, e-coli outbreaks, and other diseases with the potential to impact hundreds of children. It would be incredibly devastating to have such an epidemic hit our region and not be ready with skilled inpatient services because of lack of planning and resistance to growth from individual home owners. I know that we would not want to look back at this moment from the future and regret that we had not planned appropriately for the growth of skilled inpatient care for our community, which resulted in an inability to provide care and potentially save lives. It is clear that we must prioritize the care of medically ill children both now and in the future.

I appreciate your role in weighing pro's and con's of proposals like these and am confident you will find that the pro's far outweigh the con's in terms of ensuring the health and safety for our city, state, and region.

Sincerely,
Kathy Brewer
Citizen of Seattle
Member of Friends of Children's Hospital

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>>> "Briant, Katherine J" <kbriant@fhcrc.org> 7/23/2008 1:39 PM >>>

Katherine Briant
130 NE 95th St., A109
Seattle, WA 98115

July 23, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I want to urge you to support Alternative 7 for Children's Hospital's expansion plans. This alternative is by far the best one to meet the immediate needs of the hospital. I am confident Children's Hospital and the Citizens Advisory Committee have created the best alternative to meet the hospital's need for growth while at the same time preserving the character of the neighborhood.

I am also in the healthcare industry. As an employee of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, I know the value of having an institution such as Children's Hospital in my own backyard. Children's Hospital has been able to make great improvements in the advancement of pediatric medicine. Currently though, Children's Hospital is at capacity and must grow to continue serving the population that depends on its world-class care. There is no reason that Children's Hospital should have to turn away a child who needs its care when there is a viable option for growth.

Alternative 7 is the best option for this much needed growth. The Citizens Advisory Committee and Children's Hospital had worked tirelessly to create an alternative for growth that will be the best option for everyone. The current design allows the hospital to grow in a responsible staged manner, while alleviating the concerns of the neighborhood related to traffic, height and bulk. I am confident that Children's Hospital has worked hard to listen to all concerns and has come up with creative solutions to the problems facing our growing city.

I urge you to support the expansion of Children's Hospital as outlined in Alternative 7. Children's Hospital is a world-renowned institution and must grow to maintain that status as well as to continue serving the region demanding its care.

Sincerely,
Katherine Briant

Ben Bridge

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July 7, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

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Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan
and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DEPARTMENT OF
PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

It is with strong conviction and enthusiasm that I write to express support for Children's Hospital and its necessary growth. I know that time is precious and resources limited; nevertheless I'm compelled to add my voice to those calling for the expansion of this venerable Seattle institution.

Since 1912, my family has owned and operated Ben Bridge Jeweler Inc. I currently serve as Co-CEO and General Counsel, and am a fourth generation leader of the company. We have deep roots in the Seattle community - just like Children's Hospital.

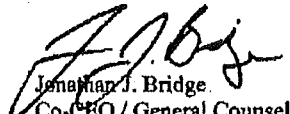
When I was five or six and my family lived in the Montlake neighborhood, I fell down some stairs and my parents feared my nose was broken. They rushed me to Children's, where I was x-rayed and looked over by the great doctors and nurses on staff. Luckily I had nothing more than bumps and bruises. As always, Children's Hospital was accessible and *there to help*.

An increasing number of children are rushed to Children's Hospital every year, often with issues far more serious than mine. And often they must stay at the hospital for extended lengths of time. Demand for hospital beds is inevitably rising as our community grows. The question is not "Should Children's grow?" the question is "Why would we *not* let Children's grow?"

As a Seattle-based business, Ben Bridge Jeweler takes great pride in this city. One of the reasons Seattle remains a first-rate city is the services it provides -- as evidenced daily by Children's Hospital. And Children's is a source of pride to those of us who have a genuine stake in the community. There are not many hospitals that extend care to *every child who comes through their doors*, irrespective of his (or her) family's ability to pay. Children's Hospital does.

I, like so many others, was fortunate that Children's was around when I needed it. I believe we must devote the resources that will enable this fine hospital to grow - so that it can continue to meet the needs of Seattle's future generations.

Sincerely,


Jonathan J. Bridge
Co-CEO / General Counsel
Ben Bridge Jeweler

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital
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Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

July 22, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

In 1908, the trustees of Children's Orthopedic Hospital find the perfect piece of property on Queen Anne Hill to build "Fresh Air House," a place where children can recover after surgery. Several neighbors near the new site object that the presence of "deformed children" will disturb their quiet surroundings and depress their property values. They also argue that pregnant women in the neighborhood will suffer risks to their own unborn babies if they view crippled children.

The neighbors draft an ordinance that all children convalescing after surgery be sent to "Pest House" on Beacon Hill, an infirmary where the county sends citizens with contagious diseases such as diphtheria and tuberculosis.

One hundred years later, history repeats itself as Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center struggles to meet the needs of our region's children while some neighbors scream, "not in my backyard!"

How much of this drama is a happy problem? What part is a crisis? From my perspective, it's pretty much cut and dry.

For Children's Hospital, the time they've spent understanding neighbors' concerns, amending their building plans and proposing alternatives to stem traffic congestion is a happy problem worth solving so that the real crisis – turning away children and teens because there aren't enough beds – can be avoided.

Sincerely,

Lisa Brihagen
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Seattle, WA 98125
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brihagen@comcast.net

P.S. Here's the rest of the story from 1908: Fortunately, the city engineer supports the hospital's mission and the trustees receive the needed building permits. By the end of the year, Fresh Air House cares for 39 children, most of whom would have died had they been sent to Pest House.

In 2008, more than half of the patients who come to Children's on any given day live with serious, chronic conditions such as sickle cell anemia, type 1 diabetes, cystic fibrosis or systemic issues resulting from premature birth. The majority of these kids live into adulthood because they have access to the latest treatments and advanced technologies that are only available in the region at Seattle Children's Hospital.

cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center, in care of Steve Sheppard

>>> "Adam Brothers" <brothers78@gmail.com> 7/9/2008 5:30 PM >>>

Adam W. Brothers
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206-473-8593

July 9, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft
Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

As an employee at Children's Hospital, and a resident of Seattle, I am voicing my support for the proposed Children's expansion initiative. I work in the inpatient pharmacy, and specialize in bone marrow transplant. Over the past few months it has become apparent that there is a need for growth at Children's Hospital. There has been much publicity regarding the full capacity of the hospital in February of this year. Even today we have 230 patients in our 250 beds. For a midsummer day, our slow time of the year, this is an incredibly large census, and speaks to the need that exists for our services.

Daily on the bone marrow transplant service I work for patients that will be coming in and out of the hospital. While our service can plan on having a certain number of patients admitted to start the process of a bone marrow transplant, we are also triaging patients who have received their transplant and become ill. Seattle is nationally known for its bone marrow transplant research. We are able to attract many of the best talents to work with the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance, and the University of Washington Medical Center. Children's Hospital is not only looked to by pediatric patients and families in the Northwest who need these services, but also by patients across the nation. Providers from as far away as the Southeast have recommended to their patients that the best care that they will receive is at Children's Hospital in Seattle. Our patients are living longer, and because of this, our interactions with these patients are occurring over periods of months to several years.

This phenomenon is not unique to bone marrow transplant or pediatric care. Medical advances are giving patients longer lives. Now they need the resources to take care of them to sustain those lives.

Children's Hospital is in need of more space for its current patients, and to allow for more patients. The proposed Alternative 7 seems to address many of the concerns voiced by opponents of the expansion plan. Purchase of the

space near Sand Point Way will allow for less impact on the Laurelhurst neighborhood, keeping traffic primarily to the street side of the campus. It will allow the current care that is being provided to continue uninterrupted. It will allow for a horizontal expansion, versus a vertical expansion that may have changed site lines for residents in the neighborhood.

The expansion project also will benefit the larger Seattle community. In addition to allowing access to more patients and families, it will create more individual rooms. During our high census period in late winter, it was common to have from 2-4 patients and families per room. The increased infection risk, as well as the loss of privacy makes this an untenable situation for our patients. Single patient rooms should be the standard of care, and the expansion project would allow that to happen.

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Expansion would also continue to draw in the "best and brightest" to the Seattle area. Already being ranked in the Top 10 national pediatric hospitals, having these expanded facilities would draw in some of the best caregivers to the area. Finally, the expansion would help to maintain pace with the need for services that will be necessary with the city's proposed growth targets. As reported in a June 18th Seattle Times article, there are many areas of Seattle and surrounding cities that have already exceeded their 20-year population growth targets. As such, the need already exists to provide services to match this growth. Children's Hospital has created a plan that accounts for how it will meet this growth, both in five years, and in twenty years. We are working for our patients to meet their needs.

Please join us in supporting the expansion proposal for Children's Hospital.

Sincerely,
Adam W. Brothers, PharmD.

Raymond Brown
4008 NE 45th. St.
Seattle, WA 98115

July 7, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Land Use Planner II
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

As a present owner of a Laurelton Terrace condominium, I'm writing in support of the Laurelton Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I think this is the best option for the community, offering the greatest good for the greatest number. Alternative 7 will preserve the character of Laurelhurst and allow Children's Hospital to continue their good work.

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Sincerely,


Raymond Brown

>>> "Anita Michelle Browning" <anitabrowning@fastmail.fm> 7/25/2008
3:48 PM >>>

Hello, Mr. Ringgold—

As an employee of Children's, I would like to note for the record that my employer has done and continues to do everything imaginable to appease the neighbors who oppose expansion, including mitigating traffic by offering numerous incentives for employees who commute using alternatives to single-occupancy vehicles. Children's has won community awards because so many of our staff members make use of public transportation and we have our own transportation department who is still designing more programs to make it even easier for us to get to work without driving alone.

The proposed expansion under Alternative 7 also moves entrances to Sand Point Way and lowers building heights, two of the major concerns brought up at the CAC meetings. With all these adjustments, it seems there is no valid argument against allowing the hospital to expand.

In fact, there has never been a legitimate reason for the exaggerated concerns of a few, quite frankly, selfish people to outweigh the needs of children in an entire region—children who are ill or injured and need health care, no less.

I urge you to accept Alternative 7.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Anita Browning

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221 N. 196th Pl,
Shoreline, WA 98133
July 4, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Dept. of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing in support of the Laurelon Terrace plan for the expansion of Children's Hospital. I have lived in Seattle all of my 57 years, and have been involved with Children's as a volunteer and as the mother of a patient.

When I was 16, I spent my summers volunteering at the Hospital. I also started a Junior Orthopedic Guild, joined by my Mercer Island High School classmates. My volunteer service at Children's not only confirmed my lifelong interest in volunteerism, but also confirmed in my mind the essential role of this hospital for Seattle.

When my first daughter was born in 1984, she was rushed from Swedish to Children's intensive care the night of her birth. She was given a 50/50 chance of survival. Due to the superior care she received, she survived, thrived, and has graduated from Stanford University.

In conclusion, I support this expansion plan for Children's, and urge you to support it as well. Thanks in advance for your kind consideration of my remarks.

Best regards,



Deborah Buck

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>>> Charla Buerkle <cbbuerkle@earthlink.net> 6/30/2008 3:00 PM >>>

June 30, 2008

Dear Scott,

I am very interested in the success of Children's Hospital to expand and provide continued medical care to the community, the State of Washington, as well as surrounding states.

Although I do not live in the area my son is currently renting a unit at Laurelon Terrace until he graduates from the University. My son has used the emergency services of the hospital in past and he and I were both surprised at the congestion and excessive wait time in the emergency room. I believe the hospital provides excellent care to all who seek it, but it is certainly critical that patients can be seen in a timely manner.

In addition, I have friends who work at Evergreen Hospital and have told me of the times they have to send a child by helicopter out of state because Children's is unable to accommodate them. This is indicative of a hospital in critical need of expansion. When a child needs the highest standard of medical care available at Children's Hospital of Seattle and that child is sent out of state red flags should go up.

I fully support Alternative 7 and believe it provides the solutions the community is looking for. I believe this solution is a win/win.

The plan has evolved in such a way as to address the need to reduce the traffic that effects the current residents and allow the homeowner's with a view to retain that view. I know it is important to accommodate the neighborhood in many ways and believe the Alternative 7 does this. I also know that Children's Hospital deserves our support in order to continue to grow and provide much needed medical care.

Sincerely yours,
Charla Buerkle
6201 NE 152nd Street
Kenmore, Wa 98028

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>>> <buerkd@u.washington.edu> 7/2/2008 5:22 PM >>>

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express support of the Children's Hospital expansion at Lauralon Terrace.

I am renting a unit that is next to the hospital and have been here for three years while I attend the University. I have, on occasion, gone to the emergency room and know from my experience that the hospital needs more room.

I also know from living here that the hospital is barely noticed in my day to day life but I am glad it is here when I need it. 1

I know there has been much negotiating about how the hospital should expand and I know that Alternative 7 is the most accommodating to the neighborhood. Alternative 7 will retain views for those in the neighborhood and also reduces traffic.

Even though I will be moving at the end of the year, I hope the hospital will stay and be allowed to expand and I believe the majority of the neighborhood is supportive of Children's Hospital as the hospital has been a much needed part of this neighborhood and the City of Seattle.

Regards,
Dominic Buerkle

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. Children's Hospital provides very important services to our community. Now that our community, so must our hospital in order to provide proper care to all that need it.

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The hospital is short on space, and more patient beds are critical to maintain its excellent patient care. Please support the Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Sincerely,



Julie Bunger
2220 SW 306th PL
Federal Way, WA 98023

>>> cecille burney <burneyce@hotmail.com> 6/28/2008 5:06 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing to support Children's Hospital's proposed growth plan, Alternative 7. My husband and I live in the View Ridge neighborhood, so we appreciate that neighbors of the hospital are concerned about how an expansion would impact them. But we have also seen first-hand what a valuable resource Children's is for families, as our grandchildren have received excellent treatment for serious health issues. We believe that Children's is a good neighbor, and that the design in Alternative 7 will allow it to continue being a good neighbor (in terms of impacts on traffic, views, etc.) while preparing to meet critical healthcare needs in the future.

Sincerely,
Cecille Burney

July 7, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,


I am writing to you as a member of the NE Seattle community. I have been visiting the area for over twenty years and lived in the area for the last 2 years.

I am a supporter of Children's Hospital and its mission. I have relatives and several friends that have benefited from Children's services. I feel grateful that we have such an amazing facility in our community that is able to help those in need. I am aware of the plan for the hospital expansion and I am writing to express my support for Alternative 7.

I support Alternative 7 because it maintains building heights at their current level and does not interrupt the functioning of the current hospital during construction. As a resident of the Laurelhurst area I enjoy the views and parks within it. I love the fact that Alternative 7 allows the expansion of this great facility while also preserving the beauty that the neighborhood holds. I understand the concerns about traffic which is why Alternative 7 would be my choice for expansion as it keeps the hospital traffic on Sandpoint.

Children's Hospital is a valuable resource to the community and being someone whose life has been touched by the services they provide I ask you...please support Alternative 7!

Sincerely,



Christa Burton
4618 41st Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98105

July 8, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

This letter is being written in support of Children's Hospital expansion plans and the support of Alternative 7 (the use of Laurelon Terrace land).

I'm a current homeowner of a Laurelon Terrace condo. My daughter and I have lived at Laurelon since late 1996. I'm also a current employee of the hospital as well and have been employed by Children's since 2004.

My daughter has grown up in Laurelhurst (Laurelon) and has also been a patient at the hospital numerous times for various illnesses and injuries. She always received excellent care as a patient and this was important to me and therefore encouraged me to seek employment from such a great organization.

I fully support the expansion of the hospital and have seen the need for additional growth and to provide medical care for additional patients.

The Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) plan is an excellent solution for the expansion keeping building heights low and protecting views for the surrounding neighbors. Traffic as well will be reduced on residential streets. The solution to build on the current Laurelon property is an excellent solution for the neighborhood and less patient disruption while keeping the hospital intact during the construction. Alternative 7 addresses community concerns and Children's Hospital has always been a responsible neighbor which I have seen for over the last 10 years living so close to the hospital.

I'm proud to live in a city with one of the top Children's hospitals in the nation and fully support the expansion as a Laurelhurst (Laurelon) resident, an employee of the hospital and as a mother.

Thank you for your time,

Catherine Bushara
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Seattle, WA 98105

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206-987-5775 Work

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Ward Bushnell
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Yarrow Point, WA 98004

July 10, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

I am writing today to urge your support of Children's Hospital's plans for growth. When my grandson Ben was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, a rare form of cancer, there was no question that we wanted him to be treated at Children's, one of the nation's best pediatric medical centers. Since his diagnosis, Ben has spent more than 100 nights at Children's. After just one visit, it was clear to me that Children's needs to grow – and it needs to grow urgently.

During the majority of his time at Children's, Ben shared a room with other families. Most patients have at least one parent or family member staying with them, and with visits from grandparents, extended family and friends, shared hospital rooms at Children's are often crowded. I support Children's commitment to providing single-patient rooms because, in addition to helping stop the spread of infectious disease, it would afford patients and their families much-needed quiet and privacy during a difficult time.

When Ben was diagnosed with neuroblastoma, I felt unbelievably grateful that his family lives in Laurelhurst. We all sleep easier at night knowing that the best specialized pediatric care on the West coast is just minutes away.

I know Children's Hospital has gone to great lengths to find the best possible solution for its growth – one that takes into account the needs and concerns of patients, families, community members, employees and neighbors. I am confident that Alternative 7 is the best plan to come out of this process, as it meets the hospital's critical need for space while maintaining the character of the Laurelhurst area.

I implore you to approve Seattle Children's Hospital's draft of its Major Institution Plan and Environmental Impact Statement. The future health and well being of children in our region depends on Children's ability to meet its immediate need for additional patient beds and eventual transition to single-patient rooms. Nothing is more important than the health of our children.

Sincerely,



Ward Bushnell

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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>>> "Ward Bushnell" <bushnw@comcast.net> 7/18/2008 10:26 AM >>>

Dear Scott,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment again on the expansion of Children's Hospital. You are receiving many comments on the value of the hospital and the reasons the hospital needs to expand. I spoke at the July 10th hearing and in previous correspondence have expressed my personal views and those of my family.

In walking through the Laurelhurst neighborhood recently (my children live in the neighborhood) I could not help but notice that there are many newly remodeled houses and many complete tear downs and rebuilds. Some of these rebuilds occurred on lots that had very small houses with small carports and in some cases no garages. Since the original houses were built nearly 50 years ago, life styles and transportation needs have changed. It makes perfect sense for the owners to expand. In some cases, the expansions have included three car garages and houses three to four times the size of the old houses.

Just like it makes perfect sense for these homeowners in Laurelhurst to expand, it also makes perfect sense for Children's Hospital to expand. The hospital has similar needs as the community. Medical care, especially chronic illness care, has changed. The hospital must keep pace with the changing medical needs of our community. New facilities, single patient rooms with some additional parking are very similar to newer, larger homes with three car garages.

I appreciate the fact that you are taking time to listen to my point of view. I highly recommend Alternative 7 which limits height, mitigates against future transportation increases and provides the necessary room to grow.

Thank you for your consideration,

S. Ward Bushnell
4638 95th Ave. NE
Bellevue, WA. 98004

>>> "Busz, Erika" <erika.busz@seattlechildrens.org>>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a 19-year staff RN at Children's Hospital who feels compelled to address the issue of Children's Hospital's proposed expansion as critical and vital to maintaining quality pediatric care for the Pacific Northwest region and beyond.

It is a daily struggle for those of us who work in the Surgery Center/Post-Anesthesia Care area of this hospital first and foremost due to our lack of space. We have been forced to be extremely creative in how we manage our patients in order to survive the typical and ever-increasing daily patient schedule for the OR. Although the hospital has reconfigured space over and over again in my years here the fact remains that we do not have enough space to meet the needs of the growing Puget Sound region not to mention the outlying areas that we serve. From a nurse's perspective it is unconscionable to consider cutting corners on our nursing care just because we need to keep a schedule on time. The fact is we won't do it because it is not in the best interest of our patients, their families and, ultimately, this hospital and the region it serves. However, we are often under indirect pressure to do so. With much credit to my colleagues we make it work but it is at the expense of our staff who over time can often feel the burnout coming. We cannot afford to lose valuable and highly skilled workers in this day and age.

The plain and simple fact is that things are never going to get less busy for this hospital. It has been a very significant and valuable institution for Seattle for over 100 years now. Many of those in the Laurelhurst neighborhood who would wish it to be elsewhere have not lived in this neighborhood longer than the hospital has been here. They made their choice when they wanted to live here. While I understand some of their frustrations regarding the growth of Children's we have made incredible concessions to the area already. Many a patient needing to be flown in to the hospital has been forced to land at Graves Field and ambulated to the hospital who should have been able to come directly. Laurelhurst has had much sway and say already unlike the neighborhoods around Harborview for instance.

So it is my personal plea that the ultimate greater good would be served in this matter. Children's Hospital needs the room, plain and simple. Please don't allow the few to hold the many, who serve and are served by this institution, hostage to their personal preferences. Thank you for your consideration.

Erika Busz, R.N.

7-23-08

**Scott Ringgold
Land Use Planner II
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019**

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

**I support Alternative 7. It is so important that Children's Hospital expand so that they
can treat all the children who need them.**

**Children's Hospital is a cherished part of my community. I have volunteered at the
hospital for many years because I want to contribute to their efforts. They are
performing miracles every day for the community's most deserving members, our
children.**

**Please enable Children's Hospital to continue doing amazing work and approve
Alternative 7.**

Sincerely,



Dorothy Byers

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Kenmore, WA 98028

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June 23, 2008

Lisa Cagle
4203 192nd Pl SW
Lynnwood, WA

Dear Mr. Scott Ringgold,

My name is Lisa Cagle and I am a Speech-Language Pathologist working for the Lake Washington School District. I have lived in the Seattle area for the majority of my life. I volunteered for Children's Hospital in the past, working for the Stanley Stamm Children's Hospital Summer Camp. I enjoyed supporting Children's Hospital in the past and my time spent at Stanley Stamm Camp meant a lot to me. I understand that that Children's Hospital is an important resource to many children and families in the greater Seattle area.

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I have been following the Children's Hospital expansion plans in the news and strongly support Alternative 7. I believe Alternative 7 provides the best solution to the community and hospital needs.

Thank you,



Lisa Cagle

>>> Nancy Cahill <buggy528@hotmail.com> 7/9/2008 7:16 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Scott Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I am the mother of four athletic daughters, and have witnessed the miraculous treatment that Children's Hospital provides the community. Children's Hospital is a mainstay in our community, and needs to expand so they can continue to meet our demand for their medical services. Children from all over the region come to our area because of the renowned reputation of Children's Hospital. How lucky we are that they are right in our backyard.

In addition to providing all the services they do, the hospital offers jobs and boosts property values of homes in the area. As our neighborhood grows, so must Children's Hospital. I am just glad they have designed a plan that is so amenable to the neighbors.

Thank you for all your hard work to find a community solution to the expansion of Children's Hospital. With alternative 7, you have done it!

Sincerely,
Nancy Cahill
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Seattle, WA 98115

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July 3, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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Re: In Support of CHRMC Master Plan Alternative 7—Expansion onto the Laurelon Site

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

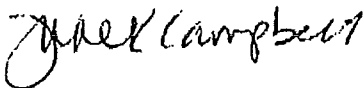
I am writing to you as a parent of two daughters who were born at Swedish Hospital and who have lived in the Seattle area since birth. Although fortunately my daughters have not had any chronic medical conditions and needed the extensive services Childrens Hospital provides, I personally know of many other families that have relied on Childrens Hospital for the care of their children with serious conditions. Childrens Hospital is a jewel in this region and we should all be proud of this facility. I recently learned that the hospital is facing opposition from neighborhood groups regarding its plans to expand to accommodate current and anticipated needs of the community.

After reviewing the well thought out expansion plans of the hospital, I thought I would write to you to express my support of the expansion of Childrens Hospital onto Laurelon Terrace. As a parent, I think it is critical to have a world-class facility such as Childrens Hospital offer all the services needed for children in this region. I don't think it would be right to tell parents of a desperately sick child that they need to take that child to Stanford in California for treatment because Childrens had run out of room. 1

The plan that Childrens has to expand onto Laurelon Terrace rather than build upward on its current site makes sense not only for the neighborhood, but for the region. I applaud the vision of the leaders of Childrens Hospital to plan for the future medical needs of the children of Puget Sound and the surrounding region. As long as the population increases in this region, the need for medical services for children will also increase and that is already apparent today.

I encourage the city to approve the master plan as requested rather than cut back the hospital's square footage request. As I am sure you know, the process is arduous and expensive in both time and money for the neighbors, the neighborhoods, and the hospital. A reduced plan will likely mean another request in future years. Hospital care is not an enterprise that creates its own market—the fact that the hospital expands does not mean that more children will get sick. It only means that more sick children will be able to be treated closer to their homes at an institution where the best pediatric specialists work together. Nor is there any financial incentive for the hospital to over build just to take up space. Approving the request for 1.5 million square feet is doable with the Laurelon site and it should be approved.

Thank you for your consideration.



June Campbell

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>>> "Kelly Campbell" <kcc2020@gmail.com> 7/8/2008 2:35 PM >>>

Scott,

Children's Hospital in Seattle is a wonderful asset for our community. The hospital has taken care of thousands of extremely sick children over the past 100 years. Due to increasing patient volumes, it is critical for the hospital to be permitted to expand so they may continue to take care of our region's sick.

I feel strongly that Children's Hospital has worked very hard at trying to be good neighbors to the Laurelhurst community. They have gone above and beyond what most organizations would have done to make sure they minimize impact on neighbors. I support Alternative 7 which includes several options that will reduce increased congestion and traffic.

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The hospital does so much for the community. I am shocked that anyone would oppose expansion. The hospital census routinely runs very high which is one of several reasons why they need the additional space. The community cannot afford to deny the hospital's expansion project or they will be forced to turn away sick kids. We are blessed to have such an excellent pediatric hospital in our backyard and we need to support them any way that we can.

Please consider this email as a sign of my support for the expansion and Alternative 7.

Regards,
Kelly C.
Seattle resident.

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124- 4019

Dear Scott Ringgold:

An important community matter has recently come to my attention. Children's Hospital is in dire need of more space. The current hospital is over capacity, unable to meet current demand, and demand is only expected to grow over the next 20 years. It is critical that the community band together and find the hospital more space.

I support Alternative 7 because it provides the hospital with the beds they desperately need while minimizing the impacts on current patients. By building out instead of up, the existing hospital can remain intact. Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,

Deborah E. Canon

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Shoreline, WA 98155

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Melissa Cardenas
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Seattle, WA 98115

July 1, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital – Master Plan and Environmental Impact Statement

Scot Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Scott,

As an employee, former patient and now parent of a Seattle Children's patient, I have been in a position to see why Children's is an important organization to both our neighborhood and region.

I fully support the plans for Children's Hospital expansion. I believe as a resident of View Ridge and former Laurelhurst resident that this will only improve how the City and State view our communities and how we can unite and support this organization's growth that we are so fortunate to have in our backyard.

Growing up in Sunnyside, Washington, my mother had to drive me up to Seattle to be seen by specialists, while my father stayed home to work and care for my two brothers.

This was hard especially coming from a small town and driving to a place we did not really know. The people from the cafeteria to the specialists were so helpful and made both my mother and me feel like we were part of their team in determining what was going on with me. They also made me feel comfortable by taking me to meet other kids and letting me play with them.

Now that I am a mother and my 5 yr old daughter is a patient, I know how my mother felt when taking me in, but am so fortunate that I am only 5 minutes away from the hospital.

Having Children's in my backyard is the greatest thing that I can provide for my child. I don't have to worry about crossing the pass in the dead of winter and do not have to worry about how to get around in a big city.

I feel that some of the Laurelhurst residents should realize what an asset Children's is to our region, neighborhood. Instead of focusing on the impact of traffic (which Children's is addressing with the greatest transportation department an organization can have) the neighbors of Laurelhurst should realize that they have the honor of having the #8 hospital

in the country and have the luxury of having some of the best specialists in the country in their back yard.

If the neighbor's only argument is we are ruining their view then really, is that really their only plausible argument? Children's is already addressing the traffic congestion and something they really did not have to do but want to make sure they are doing right by the community, they have a new "green line" shuttle service, encouraging alternative commuting and have introduced a new "bike to work" campaign.

Why are these people not trying to stop the growth of University Village... yes, they will have more high end clothing to shop for and more restaurants to enjoy, but what about the children? They are looking to get better so they can go shopping with their families and go out to eat with them.

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These kids want to be normal and have a place they can go to be normal...I spent much time being an outcast at school but when coming to Children's I felt normal and at home and made life long friends there. If Children's is unable to grow then these children will need to find specialists elsewhere and that is what we can't have...to tell them, Children's has no room, yes we understand this is your second home but you will need to receive services elsewhere because our Laurelhurst community is looking at expanding their shopping mall rather than create the world's best pediatric organization.

I support Children's plans for growth and Alternative 7 because I believe that not only my child but every child deserves the best care; and Seattle Children's is the best pediatric care they can receive.

Sincerely,

Melissa M. Cardenas

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Friends of Seattle Children's Hospital

July 9, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Sir,

I am writing in support of the Children's Hospital expansion project's Alternative 7, The Laurelon Terrace Expansion Plan. I have lived in Laurelon Terrace for 4 years now and love it. I am also a renter, so if Alternative 7 is accepted, I will have to find another place to live, and will experience no financial gain from the buyout of the Laurelon Terrace property. However, after listening to and reading about Children's needs and plans, I believe that their agenda is honest, necessary, and, most importantly, for the greater good.

People who object to Alternative 7, the most logical and straightforward of the proposed alternatives, are, quite frankly, being a bit selfish. (I also believe that they would change their position in an instant were something to happen to one of their children that required medical care at Children's and that care was either delayed or unavailable due to a lack of facilities, equipment, or staff.) This expansion will allow Children's to provide better service to the entire city of Seattle and beyond. But the nuisance of a few more cars in these people's quiet suburbia and the possibility of having to look at a larger Children's campus on their way to work is enough for them to launch a whole campaign against the project? That is unbelievable and should be unacceptable to Seattle's and the project's decision makers.

I feel strongly that the expansion of Children's in Laurelhurst is not only merited, but inevitable. A very high majority of Laurelon Terrace residents, the people Alternative 7 would most directly and drastically affect, supports this alternative. Children's has been cooperative with the community in discussions about increased traffic, noise, and building heights and I truly believe they will do everything they can to accommodate the people of Laurelhurst during this process. After all, this isn't some sprawling tech company or oil magnate or chemical plant we're talking about; this is Children's Hospital. An organization whose sole interest is helping sick kids and making families' lives better. Why would they propose a change that would have a more negative than positive impact on the very people they exist to serve?

Sincerely,

Erin Carstens
Laurelon Terrace Resident
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25 June 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to express my strong support for Children's Hospital and their expansion plans. I have been motivated to write this email as a Laurelhurst resident, parent, and practicing physician in Seattle.

I came to Seattle from San Francisco 8 years ago because the city offered the finest training in Infectious Disease medicine anywhere in the world. As part of my training, I rotated through Children's Hospital, and was consistently amazed at the level of care, specialization and dedication the hospital has for treating kids from Seattle, Washington State, and around the world. I only spent one month at Children's, and have no formal affiliation with them now, but remain a huge supporter.

Two years ago, I moved to Laurelhurst with my wife and child. One of the attractive features of the area to my wife and I was the proximity to a world-class children's hospital. Shortly after settling in, however, I was amazed at how much my neighbors took Children's for granted. Children's constantly reaches out to the Laurelhurst community - my child has learned to become an outstanding swimmer thanks to swim classes in the Children's therapy pool, she learned bike safety and received a free helmet at an event at Children's last year, and of course received outstanding medical care both when she had neonatal jaundice and when she injured her arm. They also go out of their way to be good neighbors, by in addition to the aforementioned activities mitigating helicopter traffic over the area and repairing roads and improving bus service.

The plans to expand Children's clearly are necessary, as I have seen first hand how the hospital is struggling with its overloaded census and witnessed how the campus is beyond capacity. The expansion plans proposed to date, especially Alternative 7, are thoughtful, considerate of the neighborhood, and will assure that the facility continues to be a world-class institution for

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children's health and an invaluable local resource for Seattle. I feel so passionate about this issue that I have joined the steering committee of Friends of Children's Hospital.

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Thank you for your time and consideration, and please do not hesitate to contact me with questions or comments.

Sincerely,



Corey Casper, M.D., M.P.H.

Assistant Member, Vaccine and Infectious Disease Institute, Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Assistant Professor of Medicine, Division of Infectious Disease,
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Epidemiology,
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Medical Director of Infection Control, Seattle Cancer Care Alliance

Cc: Mayor Greg Nickels
Michael Jenkins
Steve Sheppard

Tracie Cassidy
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July 21, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

VIA EMAIL

Attention Scott Ringgold:

As an employee of Seattle Children's Hospital, I'd like to ask for your support of the upcoming expansion. This hospital is a vital resource to the community as well as the entire WAMI region, as evidenced by our ranking in *U.S. News & World Report* (#8 in the nation and #1 on the West Coast). I am especially proud of the hospital's commitment to provide care for every child, regardless of their family's ability to pay. Last year Children's provided approximately \$65 million in uncompensated care. That is a tremendous commitment from our generous donors & the community.

Earlier this year, there were days when Children's was at capacity. It breaks my heart to think that children will be turned away in a few years because we do not have the space to accommodate them. In order to continue providing world-class care, Children's must expand. Please consider supporting Alternative 7 (Early Laurelon Development).

Sincerely,

Tracie Cassidy

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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Gwen Cattingham
12604 237th Way NE
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July 4, 2008

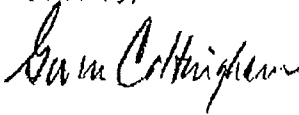
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. Though I am a resident of Redmond, Children's Hospital reaches out to communities beyond their immediately surrounding neighborhoods. I have been an audiologist in Seattle for 15 years.

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The hospital offers important medical services to the children of our community. Please ensure that they can continue to meet the community's needs.

Sincerely,



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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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Hoover Chambliss
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July 3, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital Draft Mayor Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention: Scott Ringgold:

As a supporter and a friend of Children's Hospital located in the Wedgwood District of Seattle, Washington, I would like to express my reason for supporting the expansions of the hospital and the public benefits of Alternative 7.

I would like to share this encounter with you. A friend of mine died after a long and tragic encounter with diabetes. He lost both of his legs to up above his knees. He suffered a great deal. He left behind a wife and two minor children. Soon after his death in 1995, his son began to develop a very severe signs of a disciplinary problem. He seem to be unable to concentrate at home and in the classroom, after several months of tantrums and states of confusion suggested that he be taken to Children's Hospital. After several visits to Children's Hospital it was determined that he had a severe hearing problem.

The fine doctors at Children Hospital began to treat his hearing problem. After some treatments he began to calm down and understand his surroundings. This young child's Behavior changed, his attitude in the classroom. He became a different person, now he is a productive member of this community. Without Children's Hospital his mother would not been able to give him the treatment necessary to correct his hearing problem. He would have become another statistic, another dysfunctional member of our community. I, as an observer am very proud of this young man and his accomplishments. He is a viable member of society. Thanks to Children's Hospital.

I would like to tell you of another situation that I am apart of. This is about three children that became my family. In 1975, the father of this household deserted his family. He left his wife, two daughters and a son. At the time of his departure his wife was working and going to school. She was unskilled, she was working for minimum wages, with no support from her husband, she was in dycer straits. When her children became ill she had no alternative accept to turn to Children's Hospital.

A working mother with three small children have some very sever problems, with three young children being tossed around because of the lack of stability it was very, very difficult to deal with the health and emotional problems that are apart of daily living, for this family; Children's Hospital was a refuse. These children were taken in by Children's Hospital. They were kept healthy by the wonderful staff at Children's Hospital.

Tanya the oldest daughter is a graduate from organ state university, where she attended on a basketball and track scholarship. At the present time she is an officer of the King County Juvenile Court. He passion is basketball. Her first 10 years or so, she coached the girls basketball team a Franklin High School here in Seattle, while working for as a officer in the King County Court system. Melody the youngest daughter is a member of the staff of a Fortune 500 Finical Group, located in Bellevue WA. She travels around the country making sales presentations to large groups of investors.

Children's Hospital played a pivotal roll in the lives of these people. Tony, the son in this Group is a healthy man who is the father of three children two sons and a daughter. As a stepfather, I am very glad and thankful that Children's Hospital was there for my family until I connected with them. Children's Hospital is one of the most needed and vibrant institutions in the Seattle Community and in this country

Sincerely,

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Cc: Michael Jenkins

Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels

Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

"Chang Glenna" <glenna.chang@gmail.com> 6/27/2008 7:25 AM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

As a resident of Seattle, I strongly support Children's Hospital and its need to expand. Expansion is critical for Children's Hospital to continue to serve the pediatric medical needs of the community. The pediatric medical research and care that Children's Hospital provides is an invaluable asset to our community.

I have only lived in Washington for 7 years. However, my husband and I have chosen Seattle as our home and as the place where we want to raise our children because of the charming neighborhoods, the lively community personalities, and the research and industry that is centered here. We appreciate that Children's Hospital has taken a long-term approach to its expansion with Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I am glad to see a new transit hub to minimize traffic pollution, noise, and congestion in the surrounding areas. This 20-year plan will allow Children's Hospital to serve its immediate needs as well as the needs of future generations.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. It truly is a community solution to an expanded Children's Hospital.

Sincerely,
Glenna Chang

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

We are parents a little girl who has spent a great deal of time at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. Our daughter Rose had her first long seizure at three months of age. We were rushed by Medic One to Children's. That emergency room visit was the first of many, many experiences at Children's. We now know that Rose has Dravet's Syndrome (also known as Severe Myoclonic Epilepsy of Infancy). In addition to global developmental disabilities, this disease causes life-threatening (status) seizures. The amount of intravenous medications required to stop these seizures has on several occasions required placing Rose on a ventilator to help her breathe. The doctors and nurses at Children's have literally saved Rose's life on several occasions. Last summer, Rose became gravely ill and spent a month in the ICU on full life support.

We live our life on high-alert at all times to ensure Rose's safety. We feed her and give her medications four times daily through a g-tube, and she wears a helmet to prevent injury during seizures. When we are not in the room with her, we monitor her with a video camera. She sleeps in our bed. We carry Diastat, her emergency medication, everywhere we go. But there is only so much we can do. We know that without Children's, Rose would be certainly dead by now.

Rose's uncontrolled seizures add fear and uncertainty to our lives on a daily basis. Our one relief is the knowledge that Children's is there for us when we need help. However, this December, when Rose had a 60 minute seizure, we were told in the ER that the hospital was "full" and we might need to be transferred to another hospital. A friend reported a similar experience this winter. I have since learned that this has been the case more and more often – that Children's has had to turn children away because it is at capacity. This scares me because I know there is no other place for hundreds and hundreds of miles that can provide the specialized care my daughter receives at Children's.

Like many of the patients who come to this hospital, Rose is a medically complicated child. Just five, she had over 30 hospitalizations, (most unplanned), and countless clinic appointments across many medical specialties (Neurology, Surgery, Neurosurgery, ENT, Neurodevelopmental, Gastroenterology, Hematology). We are grateful to more people than we can name at Children's for their role in our daughter's care.

The consistently high quality of care at Children's keeps many, many children alive and living the best quality of life they can with whatever health challenges they face. Children's is an unparalleled resource in our community, and we hope that you will support the much-needed expansion of this extraordinary medical center.

Sincerely,
Devora and Steve Chavez

City of Seattle

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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

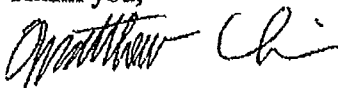
July 23, 2008

Attn: Scott Ringgold

I am a volunteer of Children's Hospital who fully supports the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital onto the Laurelon Terrace property. This expansion plan allows the existing hospital to remain intact with minimal construction impacts on patients, their families and hospital staff. Alternative 7 also includes a transit hub that will make travelling to and from the hospital much easier. Finally, Alternative 7 provides a solution that will meet not only today's demands, but the future's as well with enough space to meet the expected needs for 20 years.

Please approve Alternative 7.

Thank you,



Matthew Chin

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Seattle, WA 98178

July 17, 2008

Ms. Anne Christiansen
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Seattle, WA 98119-1916

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
City of Seattle
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing this letter to express my support of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center's plans to expand its facility by purchasing the Laurelon Terrace property.

My interest in Children's is personal. In the winter of 2000, my five-year-old daughter was diagnosed with new onset IDDM – Insulin dependent diabetes mellitus. Commonly called "Type 1 diabetes," this is an acute, chronic condition with no available cure. My daughter was admitted to Children's in a serious state of diabetic ketoacidosis or coma, and spent twelve hours in their intensive care unit.

She survived her coma with no brain damage, thanks to the skill and close monitoring of Children's medical staff. The hospital atmosphere was warm, welcoming, completely geared to the physical and emotional needs not only of young children but of their families, as well. In the weeks that followed, her father and I received excellent training from Children's in how to monitor and treat her condition. She is seen by the diabetes team four times a year in their outpatient clinic, receives consistently excellent care, and staff are always available day or night to offer information or advice.

There are several other reasons I support the alternative that allows Children's to grow on the Laurelon Terrace property. First of all, the hospital is bursting its seams. That's certainly what I thought when my daughter and I went there recently. My observation was confirmed when I read a newspaper article written by Children's head nurse. Over the past several months, there have been too many days when every single bed in the hospital was filled. This wasn't just a blip in the winter flu season, either. The high patient count has continued right into the summer.

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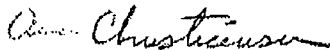
It seems that there's both a short-term need and a long-term need for more beds at Children's. The Puget Sound region's population continues to grow. And it is the sickest kids from Eastern Washington, Alaska, Montana and Idaho who come to Children's, the ones who will stay the longest and are in the most desperate need of the hospital's unique services.

Another reason I support allowing Children's to grow on the Laurelon property is a practical one: It leaves the campus intact during construction.. Some of the original proposals floated would have caused significant disruption to existing buildings as work took place. That impacts patients, families, doctors and nurses. But now that the hospital has the ability to focus its new construction on the neighboring site, this disruption can be avoided.

The need for specialized pediatric care in our region is growing. I recognize that there are impacts to the Laurelhurst neighborhood, though I believe the hospital and the city have been quite receptive to ideas that mitigate potential problems. It was an advisory committee, after all, which suggested that Children's pursue the Laurelon Terrace property.

For the sake of kids such as my daughter, please allow the proposed expansion at Children's to move ahead.

Sincerely,



Anne Christiansen

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July 23, 2008

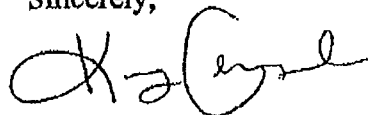
Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, Washington 98124-4019

To Mr. Ringgold:

I support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. I volunteer at Children's Hospital because I realize the importance of the services they provide the community. However, the community has grown, and so must the hospital to continue to meet the demands. Already, the hospital is short on space. More patient beds are critical for the hospital to maintain its excellent level of patient care.

Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Kelley Christopfel
2611 W Crockett St.
Seattle, WA 98199

LYNN CLAUDON CONSULTING, LLC
LAND USE & PUBLIC AFFAIRS

July 10, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a third generation King County resident and many members of my family have been treated at Children's Hospital. It is shocking to me that NIMBYism could possibly prevent other families from receiving the quality of care that we have experienced.

There are many challenges associated with the population growth that our region is experiencing. I strongly support Alternative Seven – it meets many of the neighbors concerns and takes advantage of the rare opportunity to use seven acres contiguous to the hospital to help lower densities and height, while still ensuring there is enough capacity for the future generations of our region.

Sincerely,



Lynn Claudon

cc: Mayor Greg Nickels
Michael Jenkins
Citizens Advisory Committee

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July 18, 2008

Department of Planning and Development
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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RE: Comment on Children's Hospital Expansion DEIS

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing to express in the strongest possible terms my support for the main campus expansion plans proposed by Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. My great grandmother, Anna Herr Clise, founded Children's more than 100 years ago and my family has remained involved in support of the hospital and its mission ever since. As a result, we know the operations of the hospital and its plans very well.

We are very well aware of the role Children's plays in saving the lives of children throughout the four-state region the hospital serves. This is more than a land use matter and I urge the city not to lose sight of Children's vital role.

The need to expand is well documented and is urgent. Children's is currently operating at 84 percent capacity, well beyond the 70 percent capacity limit the state has set for the hospital. Further, Children's is experiencing 11 percent patient growth in 2008, far in excess of the 3 percent per year growth rate that has been projected. It is imperative that the city approve Children's expansion plans as soon as possible. The lives of children throughout the region are literally at stake.

Children's plan would meet the health care needs of its patients while accommodating as much as possible the surrounding neighborhood. Children's has, at great expense, purchased the Laurelon Terrace condominiums to address concerns about its expansion on the nearby community. As a result, height and traffic impacts have been substantially reduced. Children's traffic mitigation plan will further reduce transportation impacts.

In closing, I again urge approval of Children's proposed expansion plans as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

A.M. Clise

Brett Coffee
11539 9th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98125

July 4, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

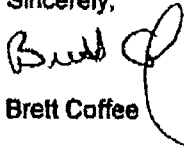
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to support Children's Hospital Alternative 7 expansion plan. As a parent of a child with special needs and many medical issues we have benefited greatly from Children's Hospital. We have been through two brain surgeries and many therapies, emergency room visits and much more. Having such an amazing medical facility is a huge asset to the Seattle area. We can not imagine where my son would be today without this hospital and the amazing job they have done with my son.

We have seen the hospital grow over the years and have benefitted by each one. We continue to use the services of the hospital and see the need to continue to see it expand to meet the needs of the community and our children.

Please grant Children's Hospital the ability to expand and help children in the Northwest.

Sincerely,


Brett Coffee

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Rana Coffee
11539 9th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98125

July 4, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

My son has spent a lot of time at Children's Hospital. During the couple months that he was a patient, I was very impressed with the work they do.

It is a relief to have such a great pediatric medical resource so close to home. Children's Hospital is a valued member of our community, and I support the expansion so that the needs of our children are met.

We have seen Children's Hospital expand before, and they have always been considerate of neighbors and used their new space wisely. I am glad that this expansion plan meets their projected needs for the next 20 years.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan because it is so important to this community that Children's Hospital is continually able to offer their services for our children.

Sincerely,

Rana Coffee

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I urge you to support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. I strongly believe that the hospital is an asset to our community. Children's Hospital needs to expand to provide new beds to help more children get the medical care they need, as well as provide more room for the patients already receiving care to heal.

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Please support us in our quest for a better hospital - please support Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Sincerely,



Terry Cohen
1237 106th Place NE
Bellevue, WA 98004

James K. Cole
4708 41st Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98105

June 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

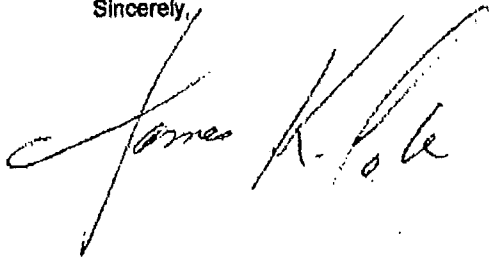
I strongly support the Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I have been a resident of Laurelon Terrace since 1988.

Children's Hospital has been a wonderful neighbor. They always alerted our board of any and all construction projects, and worked with our board on sensitive matters such as delivery of materials, excavation, minimizing noise and dust for residents, as well as being very conscious of traffic in and around Laurelhurst. They would even rearrange their schedules so that hospital traffic would not impact the neighbors.

As the hospital has worked through the other six alternatives, Alternative 7 is the best plan because it minimizes traffic on residential streets with access on Sandpoint Way, it respects the views of surrounding homeowners, and yet at the same time it utilizes and maximizes the space through Laurelon which would otherwise be prohibitive if they were building higher up on the hill.

As Laurelon is a contiguous property, it allows Children's Hospital to maximize its space with respect for its neighborhood with the overall benefit of increasing its capacity to see, treat and save more children's lives, which is extremely important and which will continue to meet the children's needs when we are all dust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James K. Cole". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "James" being more prominent than the last name "Cole".

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>>> "Cooper, Heather" <heather.cooper@seattlechildrens.org> >>>

To: Scott Ringgold, Department of Planning and Development

I'm writing to show support for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center's plans for growth and alternative 7. I'll be brief, but I wanted to share my perspective of what Children's means to this community.

I volunteer to work at Children's booth at many community events. At these events, we can often be found providing free or low-cost bicycle helmets and booster seats or child health and safety information. We usually engage kids in an activity that teaches them about the importance of physical fitness or good nutrition, for example. I've had the pleasure of receiving praise about Children's countless times at these events. People of all ages, from grandparents to school-age kids, have shared stories of how Children's has helped a child in their lives. 1

I urge our community to make the right decision for families and approve alternative 7. All children in need of care, regardless of their families ability to pay, should be able to receive their care at Children's. Children's needs an expanded facility in order to be available for the growing needs of this community and of the larger region.

Thank you.

Heather Cooper

Health Educator (and mother to 2 kids)

Children's Hospital & Regional Medical Center

Marketing and Communications Department

Kyra Cooper
17650 134th Avenue SE #N307
Renton, WA 98058

July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support alternative 7. This expansion plan enables the hospital to build the space they need to serve the area's pediatric medical demands for the next 20 years.

Thank you for working so hard to find a plan that works for the whole community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kyra M Cooper". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

James Cornell
12202 Corliss Ave N
Seattle, WA 98119

June 21, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, Wa 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you in regards to the expansion of Children's Hospital. It is clear from the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) expansion plan it has been thoroughly researched and well planned. Obvious concerns could be traffic increases and obstruction of views. Each concern has been addressed by not increasing the current height of the hospital and implementing award winning workforce transportation.

I am a graduate of the University of Washington and have been in Seattle for the past 10 years. I value the mission and efforts of Children's Hospital and it is extremely important that Children's Hospital future growth and efforts not be stunted. Children's Hospital's impact medically is felt locally and globally.

I hope you see the great importance in this expansion and do not delay or halt it. You have a great decision that will be felt for generations. Expansion is clearly the proper decision.

Sincerely,



James Cornell

Kellen Costello
3429 1/2 Wallingford Ave
Seattle, WA 98103

Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
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Scott.ringgold@seattle.gov

July 6, 2008

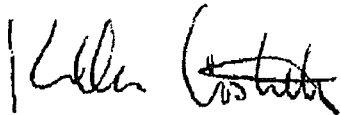
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This is the community solution to an expanded Children's Hospital. I have lived in this area long enough to know that Children's Hospital is critical to the medical system in the Pacific Northwest.

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Children's Hospital must expand so that they have space to provide the world-class medical care they offer this community. The Alternative 7 plan is the best way for the hospital to meet the needs of the community.

Sincerely,



>>> Nina Cousins <ninacousins@yahoo.com> 7/10/2008 3:04 PM >>>
Dear Scott:

In February of 2008 our 2 year old son Nolan spent 10 days at Children's Hospital for complications from pneumonia. Either my husband and/or I were with him the whole time. We couldn't imagine leaving him alone overnight.

We received incredible accomodating service by all of the staff at Children's Hospital and not only in a medical sense. As I wandered the halls, I kept thinking to myself that all hospitals should be like this. I was blown away by the incredible art and design. It didn't even smell like a hospital.

At the same time we were at the hospital with our son, my husband's law firm, The Buck Lay Group, was involved with aspects of Alternative 7. This is how I heard about it and from what I understand, it makes a lot of sense and is a win-win for both the hospital and Laurelon Terrace.

Our son is doing great thanks to the excelent care he received at Children's. We are so thankful to have a resource like this in our own backyard. I support any expansion they need to continue providing this level of service and care.

Sincerely,
Nina Cousins
11027 Manitou Beach Dr NE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

>>> <robcoutins@comcast.net> 7/9/2008 3:53 PM >>>

Dear Scott:

In February of 2008, my 2 year old son Nolan contracted pneumonia in his left lung that ultimately led to a 2 week stay at Children's hospital. I now know what the term "Plural Effusion" means (Collapsed lung due to fluid in the chest cavity). We were sent immediately to Children's hospital where we were admitted and began the long road to recovery.

My wife and I could see the concern on the doctor's faces that this was a very serious situation as soon as we got there and did not want to even consider that our son might not survive. It was the worst experience of my life. However, it was clear that we were in the right place with the right staff and only later learned how fortunate we were to live near a facility such as Children's. Things went well, Nolan got better and we left the hospital with an exhausted but recovering toddler. Children's is a world renowned pediatric hospital that is bursting at the seams. We spent our stay in the "Giraffe" section that overlooks the Laurelon Terrace Condo site. Alternative 7 is by far the best option since it will maximize favorable topography that will allow the expansion without affecting views from the surrounding neighborhoods.

Children's is a unique facility that needs to expand. Alternative 7 is a win-win situation for everyone.

Robert F. Cousins,
11029 Manitou Beach Drive NE
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

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>>> "Debbie Covey" <dcovey@windermere.com> 7/20/2008 2:53 PM >>>

I would like to take this time to vote my support for the expansion of Children's Hospital. I have been involved there for years fundraising and volunteering. I have had children benefit from the superior medical care that they have received from Children's over the years. My nephew arrived at the hospital a few years ago with a 10% chance of surviving and Children's pulled him through with innovative, state of the art treatment and my nephew is now a junior at Roosevelt High School.

I attended the meeting the other day at the Horticultural center and tried very hard to be objective and listen to both sides. I realize that there will be an inconvenience to the traffic pattern that I drive every day, up and down the Sand Point corridor. But my conclusion after that meeting was still the same. Life goes on, progress happens, lives are being saved every day because of the incredible work Children's Hospital does. The fact that I am going to be inconvenienced means nothing to the good work that is done every day.

I find it interesting that the residents of Laurelhurst speak as if they are the only ones impacted by this expansion. They have the ability to enter Laurelhurst from Mary Gates Way and avoid the hospital completely. Yet, they are raising the biggest fuss. I have a hard time with the entitled attitude that resides in the Laurelhurst area. I know there is a silent majority that don't even know what the "Laurelhurst Board" does. They say they represent the community but they aren't even voted in. And their attitude is always, "Not in my backyard". I ask, why not? Why not in all of our backyards? I don't believe there is much opposition from View Ridge, Hawthorne Hills or Inverness, where I live. My husband's office is on NE45th right at four corners. This is going to affect him very much; but he thinks the work that is being done at Children's is more important. He will be flexible and work around it.

All of this being said, I just want to raise the question of the naval base. To me, that is the answer for all of this. That property is huge with room for parking and would be perfect for this expansion. I know that the hospital needs to be kept as one piece because of the integral work that is done with the specialists etc. That is the reason moving to Redmond or opening up another campus would not work. But..the naval base is perfect!!!! I work for Windermere Real Estate and we did our community service there this past month. We cleaned a house for homeless young adults. That whole house serviced no more than 12 people and completely isolated them from the rest of the city. The property would be much better utilized for Children's Hospital.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to voice my opinion. This is a big decision; I don't envy you.

Debbie Covey

To: Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

CC: Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee for Children's Hospital

RE: Supporting the expansion of Children's Hospital - Alternative 7

July 22, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

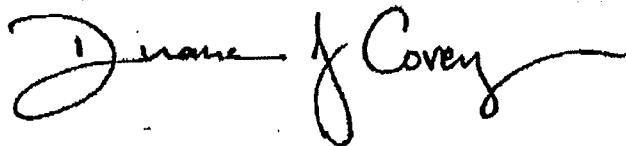
I am a business owner on Sand Point Way near Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center, and I support the Alternative 7 expansion of the hospital.

This expansion is critical to the community. Though there may be some traffic impacts, the benefits far exceed the minor inconveniences.

Furthermore, the new transit hub that is part of this plan will provide greater access to residents and business patrons of the area to the Greater Seattle area. Children's Hospital provides medical services, but also boosts economic growth in the area.

Please support their continual presence in NE Seattle by approving the Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Sincerely,



Duane J. Covey
Edward Jones Investments and lifelong Laurelhurst,
View Ridge, Inverness resident!
3216 NE 45th St.
Seattle, WA 98105
206-696-0050

July 9, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

We write this letter to offer our enthusiastic support for the plan to expand Children's Hospital, specifically Alternative 7, the Laurelon Terrace plan. We believe this plan best meets the needs of the hospital well in to the future while having minimal impact on the surrounding residential neighborhoods.

We have lived in the Laurelhurst and Windermere communities of Seattle for the last forty-four years and have never found reason to regret having Children's Hospital as a neighbor. In fact, we have reason to be more grateful than most for its existence there. One of our daughters, Katie Cross, was born at Providence Hospital in June of 1973. Almost immediately it was discovered that she had a serious birth defect and was moved to Children's Hospital where she had surgery within twelve hours of her birth. She was to spend the next seventeen months of her life in the infant intensive care unit at Children's, her ultimate survival not always certain. Today, Katie is a healthy and active thirty-five year old with two children of her own. She can truly be counted among the "miracle children" that have been blessed by Children's Hospital and its extraordinary medical staff. It couldn't have pleased us more when, some twenty years later, two of Katie's sisters chose nursing as a career and now serve in the neonatal intensive care unit at Children's Hospital.

It is our sincere hope that you will give the Children's Hospital expansion plan your careful consideration and your timely approval so that children with needs like our Katie had will not have to be turned away.

Respectfully yours,

Robert and Veronica Cross
5747 63rd Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Tom Cross
2316 Minor Ave E
Seattle, WA 98102

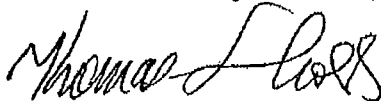
July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's. I appreciate how hard you have worked to find a plan that will accomodate the needs of everyone who will be effected by the expansion. Though most of the impacts are very positive, I realize that your job is difficult because there may be some negative consequences, such as more traffic in the area. I think you and your co-workers have done an excellent job in working on this project so long that Alternative 7 has risen. This plan truly addresses the concerns about those negative consequences.

Thank you,



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*Barbara Culp
1056 25th East
Seattle, WA 98112*

July 24, 2008

*Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019*

Dear Scott:

Please act in accordance with the wishes of the community and support ALTERNATIVE 7. Though a small minority are afraid to see any change to their neighborhood, even for the better, the vast majority realize that the benefits of an expanded Children's Hospital far outweigh the costs.

ALTERNATIVE 7 aligns the needs of the hospital with the desires of the surrounding neighbors. It truly is the best solution to a larger hospital.

Sincerely,

Barbara Culp

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>>> "James Cutter" <james.cutter@gmail.com> 7/7/2008 8:52 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a resident of the View Ridge community and am writing in support of Children's Hospital and Alternative 7. Children's Hospital is one of the premier pediatric research hospitals in the country. They continue to push the limits of science to develop new treatments and care for their patients and families. In order for Children's Hospital to continue to attract the high quality doctors, nurses, technicians and medical researchers necessary to conduct this life-saving research, the hospital must continue to provide top quality facilities and equipment. The Alternative 7 proposal accomplishes this goal, while also remaining sensitive to the needs and concerns of the local community.

When my daughter was 2 years old, she was involved in an accident and suffered a traumatic head injury. Our pediatrician did not hesitate when she instructed us to take her immediately to Children's Hospital. The medical team painstakingly performed multiple diagnostic tests to determine the extent of the injury and were able to provide exceptional medical interventions which we credit with saving our daughter's life. Today, my daughter is 29 years old, married and continuing her doctoral work in cultural archeology. Everyday my daughter gives me reasons to be thankful for the presence of Children's Hospital in our community. And when my grandchildren come to visit us, I know I rest easier knowing the highest quality medical care is just around the corner, should it be needed. I strongly believe this expansion project is critical for Children's Hospital to continue to provide extraordinary medical care to the children in our local and Northwest community. I urge you to please do everything in your power to guarantee the approval of Alternative 7.

Sincerely,
James N. Cutter

>>> Sarah Cutter <me4yahweh@yahoo.com> 7/7/2008 8:31 PM >>>

July 7, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

My family was originally from the View Ridge area, and has lived in Seattle off and on all my life. While I grew up in a military family and therefore mainly lived all over the world, Seattle has always been my family's home. I have been living in the area again for a little over a year, thus far.

Many generations of my family have been treated at Children's Hospital over the years. My uncle had emergency surgery from a play-gym accident. My mother incurred a deep cut on her thigh that was stitched up. I received care for multiple eye infections/scratches. My sister underwent major surgery and was treated for a life-threatening head injury when she was two. The list goes on. Our family will forever be grateful for the gentle, loving and successful care that Children's Hospital provides, both for urgent and minor care. Children's has always been there for my family when we needed them the most.

I first heard about the hospital's plan for expansion from a friend who lives at Laurelon Terrace. After studying the buy-out offer, she completely feels it is a fair one. Not only is the expansion plan fair to those living in the areas directly affected, but also to those in the surrounding community. It is a very necessary expansion and I am thoroughly impressed with how Children's Hospital is considering every element, from traffic and views to patient comfort and service efficiency.

I'm confident that the proposed Children's Hospital expansion will prove a wise decision.

Sincerely,
Sarah Cutter

>>> Sqcutter <sqcutter@aol.com> 7/2/2008 8:20 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you as a concerned member of the NE Seattle community who cares about the future of Children's Hospital. I moved to this community as a child in 1956. My brothers and I all made emergency trips to the ER over the years, and one brother had surgery that most likely saved his life. After I grew up, married, and started my own family, we lived for a while in south Everett. One of our daughters had a horrible accident which landed her in Children's ER, where they took exceptional care of her. I was deeply impressed with the way they not only met her medical needs, but sought to meet her unique child's emotional needs as well. My husband joined the U.S. Air Force soon after that, but we still returned to Seattle to visit my parents in View Ridge, and there were, over the years, more trips to the ER. Today my husband is retired from the military, and we once again live in View Ridge. Our grandchildren come to visit us here, and it is a great comfort knowing Children's is nearby, ready and able to serve our family if the need arises.

I believe the proposed expansion to be crucial for Children's Hospital to adequately serve our area's needs for excellent children's medical care. The proposed expansion into the Laurelon Terrace area is a smart choice. In fact, I am very thankful that option is available! It will provide crucial space, while avoiding major disruption of current care. Additionally, it is in an area lower than the hospital, and will cause minimal view impairment for surrounding homes. It is a brilliant choice.

Please, do everything you can to assure the passing of Alternative 7!
Thank you for your efforts, and the lives it will save!

Sincerely,
Susan Q. Cutter

>>> "Sandy Dallam" <sldallam@comcast.net> 7/7/2008 12:43 PM >>>

Monday, July 7, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I want to express my support for the Children's Hospital Expansion that will utilize the Laurelon Terrace property.

I have been a property owner at Laurelon since the conversion in the mid 1970's.

It has been a wonderful place to live, but I cannot think of a better use of the property than to become part of Children's campus. It would be a win, win for the neighborhood, the hospital and the Laurelon homeowners.

I hope the City Council will approve this plan.

Sincerely
Sandy Dallam

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Scott Ringgold
Dept of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

To whom it may concern,

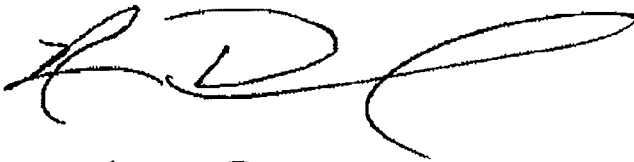
My name is Ron Daniel, 10344 38th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125, and I am a former resident of Laurelton Terrace. Although I have since moved, I frequent the area on a daily basis.

I am a healthcare worker who is a strong advocate of improving the community's standard of healthcare. I support Children's Hospital's plan to expand to the Laurelton Terrace property.

I feel as if Alternative Plan 7 is the best plan available. It will benefit the community immensely by providing the healthcare needed to children throughout the Pacific Northwest region.

Thank you very much.

Ron Daniel

A stylized handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a large 'R' followed by a 'D' and a long horizontal flourish.

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Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
Department of Planning & Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

July 23, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

Alternative 7 is the best way for the hospital to meet the medical needs of the community for the next 20 years. This plan minimizes additional traffic congestion and decreases the impact of construction on the immediate neighbors. I support this plan and appreciate that Children's Hospital and the City of Seattle have spent so much time and effort to incorporate the needs of the neighbors into a hospital expansion plan.

Thank you,



Judy Dansdill
19117 Ballinger Way NE
Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

Kimberly Davis 530 W. Olympic Place, Seattle, Washington 98119

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Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear City of Seattle/ Scott Ringgold, RE: Environmental Impact Statement, Children's
Master Plan

As Children's Hospital plans for the future of their organization, including a needed campus expansion, I plan for mine. I am deeply attached to Seattle and call it home. I hope to be married here and raise a family here. And sometime down the road, rely on the excellent medical resources that will be available to me.

As the regional population expands with expected jumps in the number pediatric patients, current capacity to provide care will be challenged. I am comforted to know that community members have identified and are leading efforts to make sure that medical care and resources are here for us when we need them. Without these steps, access to care may be difficult.

I'm strongly in favor of this proactive planning. The future will be here soon enough, and we need to be ready.

Sincerely,

--Kimberly Davis

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July 23, 2008


To: Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

CC: CAC; Mayor Nickels

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This expansion plan serves the needs of the hospital in a way that has very little negative consequences for neighbors. I know the residents in the area are concerned about increased traffic congestion, but I trust that Children's Hospital will continue to improve its award-winning employee transportation program. Children's Hospital has always done its best to accomodate the neighbors when the should be focusing all their energy on their more critical mission of healing children.

Sincerely,

 K.A. Davis

K. A. Davis
4700 Interlake Ave N
Seattle, WA 98103

>>> <med415@comcast.net> 7/21/2008 6:33 PM >>>

Please add our names to the list of those in favor of the Children's Hospital expansion.

As residents of Wedgwood we are technically neighbors of the hospital. At the very least we will be affected by traffic- but consider that a small price to pay (and traffic will increase whether Children's expands or not). All members of our society and residents of Seattle must share the burden/challenges of providing for the needs of all. After growing up on the Olympic Peninsula with a state prison in the neighborhood and living next to Fort Lewis with target practice booming at odd hours of the day and night I find the challenges of living near a wonderful pediatric hospital to be minor.

Yes, I (Mary) do currently work at Children's. I applied there because I wanted a shorter commute. Little did I know what a privilege it would be to work there. As an employee I know firsthand how much effort puts into making the hospital a good neighbor. I also know how special and unique the care provided at Children's can be. I also know the hospital is stretched beyond capacity. It simply does not make sense to build a 2nd hospital due to the cost of specialized equipment and the shortage of specialized clinical staff. What good is a lovely building across town if we can't staff it or if the cost to duplicate equipment requires so much money that funding is no longer available to provide care for children's whose parents are unable to pay for the needed care?

Children's has willingly worked with the community to address every concern from the neighborhood. We urge you to approve the hospital expansion for the good of so many.

Thank you,
Mary and Charles Davis
3836 NE 96th St.
Seattle, WA 98115

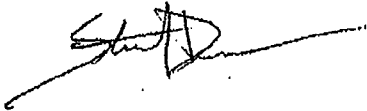
July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Scott Ringgold:

The community appreciates your efforts to find a way to expand Children's Hospital that preserves the attractiveness of the neighborhood. Please support alternative 7. It is the best plan. 1

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stewart Davis", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Stewart Davis
5000 25th Ave NE
#7005
Seattle, WA 98105

Jessica de Simas
946 N 78th Street
Seattle, WA 98103
July 24, 2008

Department of Planning and Development
Attn: Scott Ringgold
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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AND DEVELOPMENT

To Whom It May Concern:

I have written this letter to express the importance that Children's Hospital has to my family and why I support their plans for expansion.

First, I would like to convey my own personal experience of the facility. My son had developed some sores on his face and legs that were very disconcerting. I took him to the emergency room at Children's to have them evaluated. Let me first say that I had never been there before and I had absolutely no expectations. We were welcomed by an overly friendly staff that made us feel warm, welcome and right at home. They reassured us that my son was going to get best treatment available, but that due to limited staff and room availability, we would have a bit of a wait. Although this was very disappointing at the time, I understood their situation and waited for the next available physician. We were eventually seen and admitted for overnight treatment of the infection. We were lucky. The infection was only staff, but if it were MURSA or some other extremely dangerous infection where time is of the essence, it could have been much worse and I am sure people have been in that situation many times. This is just one example of why this hospital needs to expand and grow its facilities, in my opinion.

Another reason I support this proposal, is that once we were admitted, we had to wait for the one available room to be cleaned up. A hospital of this importance to the region should not have "one" available room. It seems to me its capacity should be determined by the population it supports and this proposal seems to be just the ticket.

The treatment my family received at Children's was top notch and the staff the friendliest I have ever had the pleasure of meeting. The atmosphere is built for kids and makes them feel as if they are at a childcare rather than at a hospital. They went out of their way for us, even going as far as calling in a specialist who had three or four other cases going on at the same time, on a Saturday, to see my son. This poor man was visibly tired and clearly over-tasked at the time, but he gave nothing but his every attention and saw that we were taken care of completely.

It burdens me to know that this hospital does not have the space it needs to ensure that more people can have the kind of experience we had and the best care this region has to offer. I urge you to support this master plan for Children's Hospital's sake, for our regions sake and for our children's sake.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

J de Simas

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Jennifer Deas
3518 Fremont Avenue N
#423
Seattle, WA 98103

July 24, 2008

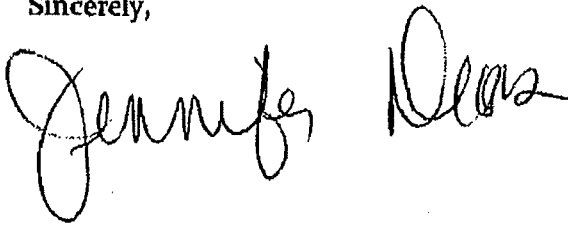
Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I work at Children's Hospital and am glad that city has found a solution to an expanded hospital that accomodates the needs of the neighbors.

The hospital needs more space, but I realize the expansion needs to happen in a way that works for the whole community. Thank you for working hard to develop this excellent option.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Deas". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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>>> <TLDeBlois@aol.com> 7/10/2008 6:52 AM >>>

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my support of Alternative 7 and the full 1,500,000 square foot expansion of Children's Hospital that it proposes. I understand that Children's Hospital is in need of additional space for expansion of patient beds and to provide more room for pediatric research. The previous proposal of a tower was found to be unacceptable to residents of the area. The proposal to build on the Laurelon Terrace property is a viable alternative, and should be approved.

Alternative 7 is the best choice because it provides a reasonable alternative. The existing hospital remains undisturbed during construction, and the new structure will be more aesthetically aligned with the surrounding neighborhood. Neighbors' views won't be blocked, as they would have been with the tower proposal. Traffic on residential streets will be minimized, and a new transit hub will provide access to the Greater Puget Sound area without adding more cars to the streets.

Friends of ours nearly lost their two year old son to pneumonia last year, but he was saved by the amazing staff at Children's. My own daughter had pneumonia six months earlier, and I didn't realize how close she'd come to danger until their experience with their son. If I should ever find myself in that situation again, I would want to know that there was a facility such as Children's available to me, one that had all the resources it needed to help my children.

Thank you for your consideration of Alternative 7.

Best,
Tracy DeBlois
7833 NE Koura Farm Dr
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

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Nita Dehn
5847 NE 197th Street
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June 30, 2008

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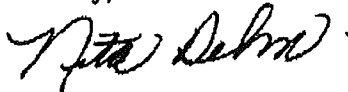
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Children's Hospital needs more beds to be able to serve the children of our area. We are very fortunate to have a facility like Children's Hospital in our neighborhood. However they need to grow to be able to meet the needs of our community.

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan because it is the best plan for the hospital, but it also addresses the concerns of its neighbors. I have lived in the Seattle area my whole life. As a teenager I visited my cousin in the burn ward, which was a traumatic experience for me. I remember that the staff at Children's Hospital, especially the nurses, were concerned not only for my cousin, but all of her family members as well. The nurses realized the impact my cousin's injuries was having on the whole family, and they appropriately cared for us all.

I am glad to see that Children's Hospital desires to remain in our community. I think we need to enable them to serve the needs of our children.

Sincerely,



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Cindy de la Maza
4006 NE 45th St.
Seattle, WA. 98105

July 7th, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA. 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold

I have been living in the Laurelhurst neighborhood for the last 5 years and am very interested in the Children's hospital expansion, specifically the Alternative 7 proposal. I have been a University of Washington employee for the past 10 years. With this background, I can understand the issues from both perspectives, as a resident and also as a healthcare provider.

I believe that Alternative 7 balances the needs of both the Laurelhurst community and the city (not to mention the entire region which Children's serves). I have attended many of the Citizens Advisory Committee meetings and have been very impressed with the effort and compromise put forth by Children's to address concerns about building height, traffic, transportation, etc. Alternative 7 is the proposal which best addresses the concerns of the community.

Thank-you for your attention to this matter. Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,


Cindy de la Maza

>>> <andrew.dempsey@homestreetbank.com> 7/17/2008 4:16 PM >>>

Mr. Ringgold,

I am a resident and homeowner in the NE Seattle community. I am writing this letter as a concerned citizen in support of the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) proposal for expansion at Children's Hospital. I support this plan for two reasons. First and foremost I believe that Children's hospital is an important and valuable member of the Seattle community. Secondly I believe that Alternative 7 is the best alternative for expansion.

Children's Hospital is an important member of the Seattle community. While tirelessly attacking the noble mission of helping sick children this hospital also provides high paying employment and much needed tax dollars.

Children's is a great employer, providing high paying jobs to many Seattle residents. As a city we should encourage any well thought out expansion. Any expansion will only provide more well paying jobs for our community. Wealthy people living in Laurelhurst don't care about jobs. Perhaps their lofty perch in society has also turned their hearts cold to the plight of sick children. But the often silent majority in Seattle cares about these things. The expansion of Children's is in the best interest of the community.

Now that I have talked about why I think that Children's should expand, I would also like to speak to how. I believe that Alternative 7 is the best possible expansion of Children's. I like this option because it keeps building heights at the current level and keeps access points to the west side of the campus. These are very important issues. By expanding down what is already a busy arterial street everyone gets a winner of a project.

Thank you for the time. I would like to close with a short story. Four years ago my niece was savagely attacked by a dog on Christmas evening. I am only 5 minutes from Children's and one of the leading experts in reconstructive surgery for minors. I was able to get the best possible care for my niece as quickly as possible. No price tag can be placed on her now unblemished smile. She owes that to Children's Hospital.

Sincerely,
Andrew Dempsey
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Seattle WA 98105

July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

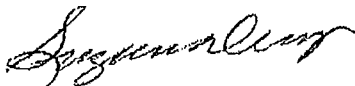
Dear Scott:

I am a strong supporter of Children's Hospital and am writing you so that you know how important Alternative 7 is to the hospital and the community.

The hospital needs more space and Alternative 7 provides that. The community needs more pediatric hospital beds, and Alternative 7 provides that. The neighborhood needs a better transit system, and Alternative 7 provides that. 1

Please support Alternative 7 for the neighbors, the hospital, and the greater Seattle region.

Cheers,



Suzanne Denney
14219 SE 45th Place
Bellevue, WA 98006

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34017
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

July 23, 2008

Dear Mr Ringgold:

The majority of Ravenna neighbors support an expanded Children's Hospital according to Alternative 7, including me. I very much appreciate the collaborative work of the City of Seattle, community groups, and Children's Hospital to find a solution that works for the whole community.

The concerns of the neighbors regarding traffic and building heights are overwhelmed by the concern for sustained pediatric medical services in the area. No other hospital provides the sort of family-centered, wholistic treatment for children that Children's Hospital has delivered every day for many years.

Please ensure that Children's Hospital will continue to be in Northeast Seattle for years to come and support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,

Tamara Denning

Tamara Denning
9402 NE 65th St. #405
Seattle, WA 98115

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Would you like to be on the mailing list? Yes ☐ No ☐

Name Benjamin Diamant
Street/P.O. Box 4516 55th Ave NE
City Seattle State WA Zip 98105
E-mail bdiamant@gmail.com

How does the project affect you? Did the EIS analysis cover the potential impacts? What are some potential measures that could be added to or changed in the Master Plan that would diminish the project's environmental effects? Thank you for offering your comments.

Comments:

I am a relative newcomer to Laurelhurst, having moved to a home several blocks from here only 2½ years ago. I wish to voice my support for making ^{Children's} Children's Hospital the world-class institution that is its potential. For me, as a new neighbor, one of the main attractions of Seattle is the caliber of the world-class biological research institutions here, including the non-profits: University of Washington, Fred Hutchinson, the Institute for Systems Biology, ^{Freemont} Children's Hospital stands to become another ^{excellent} research ~~center~~ ^{center}. Let's be proud to have such a great institution as a neighbor and give ~~it~~ ^{this institution} all the support it needs. Let's be a part of making our city a leader in medical research, ~~by~~ bringing world class doctors and researchers here to our city, and providing our children with the world-class facility they deserve. Thank you ~~for making~~ to all the Seattle veterans for making this city everything that has made me fall in love with it. Let's build this institution to keep Seattle great for decades. I support the expansion.

Rev. Martha Dimmers
4243 NE 169th Ct.
Lake Forest Park, WA 98155

July 16, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Dept. of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 981234-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

This letter is in reference to the DEIS public Comment period regarding the proposed expansion at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. As a mother and as an employee who serves as Manager of Pastoral and Spiritual Care, I have experienced both professionally and personally the excellent pediatric care provided at Children's to patients and families.

On a personal note, our husband and I have brought our children here and received care in the emergency room and the ambulatory care areas. My children received excellent care and we received the support we have come to rely upon in this world-class pediatric hospital.

Children's provides care for children across our region and beyond. As I have experienced as an employee, we have children coming through our doors who come from a wide variety of financial, cultural and spiritual backgrounds. As more of the patients who are coming through our doors are chronically ill, we have seen an increasing need for specialized care for those children living longer than ever before.

Children's Hospital has as its vision to provide patients and their families excellent care with compassion and respect. I witness this compassionate, attentive, detailed, and great care from the ICU to the ER to ambulatory care on a daily basis.

Children's has reached a tremendous time of growth and change, however. We are bursting at the seams with our increased census and growing acuity. As a result of this and as we look at projected growth in our area, it is essential that Children's expand.

Alternative 7 is the best alternative for this growth. It takes into account the needs of the patients and families cared for by Children's, as well as the neighbors' concerns for traffic, location of growth, height concerns, etc. It would allow for a transit hub and open space as well as leave the hospital intact as construction progresses.

We are at a critical time when we truly can make a difference by looking ahead and planning for the needs of future users and generations and by the sustaining and growing of Children's Hospital. We need to plan and make wise decisions now for the design and

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use of the facility that enables the best use of faculty, staff and overall medical resources in providing world class care for our children and their families.

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Thus, I am writing in support of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center's proposed growth, and in particular Alternative 7.

Most Sincerely,

Martha A. Dimmers

cc: Mayor Greg Nickels, Citizens Advisory Committee

Francis Richard Dion, M.D.
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Seattle, WA 98112-2736
(206) 324-7065

July 10, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019


Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft
Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am a retired pediatrician. I have had the privilege of being associated with the Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center for the last 46 years as well as practicing my specialty with Virginia Mason Medical Center. I moved here in 1962 from Minnesota and my work at the Mayo Clinic because of the reputation of the Children's Orthopedic Hospital. It was known already as one of the finest forward thinking medical institutions in the country. Led by community leaders it has continued and expanded that reputation over the years.

Many people in the Northwest here have had their lives touched by the medical miracles worked at our Children's Hospital. My own granddaughter was born with a hole in her heart which was severely impairing her growth. Dr. Tom Jones in a pioneering procedure was able to repair this when she was 4 years old without the risk of open heart surgery. We are so fortunate to have this outstanding institution in our community, we should support their efforts to grow and meet the expanding needs of our next generation.

Sincerely,



F. Richard Dion M.D.

cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o
Steve Sheppard

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July 23, 2008

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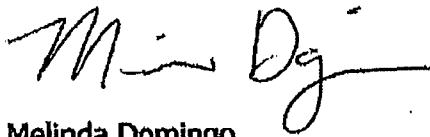
Dear Scott Ringgold,

I am asking you to support Alternative 7. I am a longtime supporter of Children's Hospital and realize the importance of allowing them to build more space so they can meet the needs of the community.

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Alternative 7 is an expansion plan that will allow for enough beds for the next 20 years.

Thank you,



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21 June 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Re: Children's Hospital; Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold

I am a retired Obstetrician who has watched Children's Hospital mature into the really fine regional medical center that it is. Whenever a baby was born with problems I, as a physician, and the new parents were comforted by the availability of the expertise of the nationally reputed specialists at Children's.

I lived in Windermere where we raised five children and now live a little further out Sandpoint Way. While the Mountlake cut bottleneck sometimes causes me to mutter, I have never felt that Children's was a neighborhood liability, on the contrary a proud community asset!

Children's needs to enlarge and we cannot afford to have the daily mission at Children's to be interrupted. Alternative 7 allows healing services to continue uninterrupted and does thoughtfully addresses concerns of the local property values impact of homeowner view interruption and traffic flows.

I strongly support Children's Alternative 7 Expansion Plan as necessary and highly desirable.

Sincerely

Larry Donohue MD

Mark Donahue
2231 101st St SE
Everett, WA 98208

Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
Department of Planning & Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

July 6, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

Though I live in Everett, I spend a lot of time in the Northeast Seattle area. I know many people who have been patients at Children's Hospital. Because the hospital serves the larger Seattle community, it is important that you know that the hospital impacts many more people than those that reside in Northeast Seattle.

I want you to know this because Children's Hospital is facing a space shortage. Their services are over-demanded compared with their capacity. It is critical that they expand so they can continue to meet the pediatric medical needs of the larger community.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan. This plan is best for the hospital, and best for the community. This project will affect the larger Seattle community for years to come.

Thank you,

Mark Donahue

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Robert Donahue
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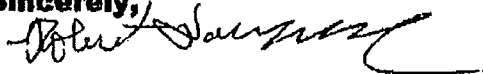
July 6, 2008

Dear Mr. Scott Ringgold,

On July 11th, the future of pediatric medical care and research in the Puget Sound area will rest on your decision. Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan, so that the needs of the community can be served by Children's Hospital for the next 20 years.

I appreciate that the City of Seattle and Children's Hospital have worked diligently to ensure that this expansion project will bring the most benefit to community.

Sincerely,



Susan Lee Donohue
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Seattle, WA 98125-4642
susandono@comcast.net
(206) 365 8871
June 21, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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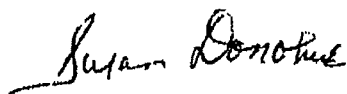
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have been a NE Seattle resident since 1971. My husband and I raised our family in Windermere. As a member of St. Bridget's Catholic Church, I delivered communion to patients and their families at Children's Hospital. One of my children was even a patient of Children's Hospital over thirty years ago. Having Children's Hospital within my own neighborhood was such a blessing when one of my children unexpectedly needed emergency care. I appreciate the family-centered approach that Children's Hospital takes to pediatric medical care.

Having lived in the area for so long, I have noticed the increasing traffic problems around the Mountlake area. I am excited about the award-winning transportation program at Children's Hospital and the new transit hub that will be part of the expansion.

I value Children's Hospital in my community and recognize that the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan addresses the needs of the community. I would like to see Children's Hospital remain available to other Seattle families like it was available to me.

Sincerely,



Inna Dunaychuck
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Tacoma, WA 98422

July 24, 2008

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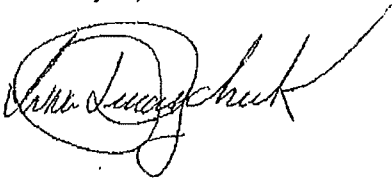
Dept of Planning
& Development

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I work at Children's Hospital and I want to thank you for designing an expansion plan that will be great for the hospital but will also work for the neighbors.

Alternative 7 is a great way for the hospital to have the space they need for the next 20 years without causing angst for the neighbors.

Thank you,



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Amanda Dziedzic
3703 Densmore Avenue N
Seattle, WA 98103

July 2, 2008

Dear Mr Scott Ringgold,

I am nanny in the Seattle area. I watched one of the children i nanny for have a medical problem with their ear. Children's Hospital was willing to help this child when no one else would. They created a mold for his ear and worked closely with him to treat his condition. I know the patient and the family still are very close with the staff at Children's Hospital. They even go to the hospital just to visit their favorite doctors and nurses, and exchange holiday gifts with them.

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Please support the expansion of Children's Hospital. The negative impacts on the community are minimal with the Alternative 7 expansion plan, and the benefits are so large.

sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a parent of four young children have and have been a member of the Seattle community since 1985. I am also an Executive Director of a nonprofit that works with K-12 underserved youth of color. There is a great chance that one of these days one of the children in my life will need the stellar services of Children's Hospital. Of course I hope that day never comes, but if it does I hope that Children's Hospital will have the resources, services and space to care for them. That is why I'm asking you to approve the expansion of Children's Hospital. My exposure to Children's Hospital came through the Paula Marcus Guild which supports Odessa Brown Children's Clinic-in the 1990. As a Guild member, I raised money for families who could not afford high quality, reliable health care. I also participate in the Basket Brigade which delivers dinners to families during Thanksgiving. On two occasions I delivered baskets to families at Children's Hospital because they could not leave the side of their sick child. Those experiences gave me a chance to see what a value Children's Hospital is to our community.

I am sure you have been presented the data on why Children's Hospital needs to expand, so I'm not going to bother giving it to you again. What I hope is that you and the others who are making this decision understand the critical need for Children's Hospital to serve ALL our children and that if they are not allow to expand, families will have nowhere else to treat their children and unfortunately many of them will die.

On behalf of my own family and the families of the children I serve, thank you for your time and consideration on this very important issue.

Trish Millines Dziko

July 4, 2008

Dear Mr Ringgold:

I have lived in Seattle for 22 years. I have been following the proposed development plans for Children's Hospital and am fully in support of the Laurelh Terrace Alternatives expansion plan. This plan is sensitive to the neighborhood and will allow the Hospital to continue to be a vital facility for our region. I have family friends who had their children treated there, and, more importantly, my daughter received wonderful care for a day surgery there when she was 2 years old. (now 18!)

Please support this proposal

Sincerely
Anne Elbert
11406 Crestwood Dr S
Seattle 98178

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July 24, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Dept. of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Mr. Ringgold,

I realize you face an important decision regarding the expansion of Children's Hospital.

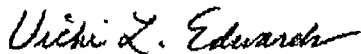
Alternative 7 not only provides the community with pediatric medical care for the next 20 years but does so in a way that mitigates the impact of traffic, construction and view impairment.

My family has a history as patients at Children's and I can't imagine having been turned away due to lack of space for my child. I understand that is already happening and that is truly unacceptable.

Thank you for all you're doing and allowing me to share my comments.

I hope you will support Alternative 7.

Thank you,



Vicki L. Edwards
14430 Connelly Road
Snohomish, Washington 98296

Ruth Egbert-Moore
19711 64th Avenue NE
Kenmore, WA 98028

June 30, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I support the Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I have lived in the Seattle area my entire life. My brother is a surgeon at Children's Hospital. I have heard so many great things that Children's Hospital does for the community.

I especially am glad to hear that Children's Hospital is considering the character of the surrounding neighborhood during their expansion planning. I felt that the tower plan was not consistent with the Northeast Seattle neighborhood. I used to work near Children's Hospital, and I appreciate how the area facilitates walking during lunch. The towers would take away from the quiet, park-like nature of the area.

It is clear with Children's Hospital's expansion plan that they are approaching this process as they do their patient care. They not only care for the immediate needs of their patients, but they provide support for life-long health. They need more space to continue to serve the growing needs of their community. Not only is the community growing, but pediatric health concerns, such as diabetes, obesity, and cancer, are becoming more and more prevalent. Please support the Alternative 7 expansion.

Thank you,

Ruth Egbert-Moore

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I am writing to support the planned expansion of Children's Hospital. I appreciate the work of the Citizen's Advisory Committee and the City for all the work it has done to move this process forward. Children's Hospital is a unique regional resource and everyone in this community should support the effort to improve the quality and capacity of health. I live only a mile away from the hospital and I fully support its expansion.

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Mickey Eisenberg, MD, PhD,
Professor of Medicine,
University of Washington

July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold

Department of Planning and Development

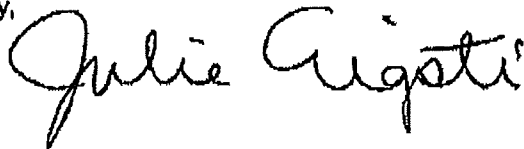
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott,

I urge you to support the alternative 7 option for an expanded hospital. This plan is superior in its offering of a new transit hub, access to the hospital off busy streets only, and lower building heights. Thank you for working with the community to design a plan that works for all!

Sincerely,



Julie Elgstl

2208 226th Place NE

Sammamish, WA 98074

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Mr. Ringgold -

I am writing to ask that you please support the expansion of Children's Hospital according to the Alternative 7 Plan. This Plan offers the community a pediatric medical facility that can meet our needs for the next 20 years. It's so important to this community and its children.

I realize this has been a long process to find a plan that accommodates the needs of the hospital and the community. Thank you for working so hard to design this solution.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Ellertson

>>> <kat57182@comcast.net> 7/6/2008 3:27 PM >>>

Kathi Elliott
9249 Phinney Ave N.
Seattle WA 98103

July 6, 2008

Scott Ringold

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and
Draft Environmental Impact Statement

I am writing to participate in the DEIS Public Comment about the proposed expansion of Children's Hospital. I am writing this as a Washington/Seattle citizen who is concerned about Children's ability to continue their much needed world-quality services if they are not permitted to expand.

As a parent and grandparent, I have experienced firsthand the valuable role that the organization provides our region - which is why I support Children's Hospital plans for expansion. I am also a supporter of Alternative 7. As the wonderful work that Children's does provides more and more hope, and longer lives to many of our at-risk children, it is imperative that Children's be able to meet their needs. Children's has outgrown the space they have now - as witnessed not only by the high number of patients they see every day and how full the hospital is - but also by needing to have more private rooms. The need for private rooms is imperative as the risk in multi-person rooms only decreases a patient's chance of a speedy recovery (exposure to infections, illness, etc.) This is my vote for Children's expansion - and alternative 7.

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Kathi Elliott

Keith Elliott
9301 26th Place NW
Seattle, WA 98117

July 4, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

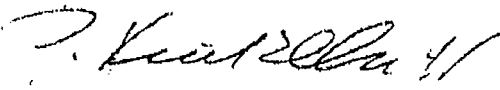
Dear Scott:

I know Children's Hospital as the premiere medical referral center for children who need immediate care from anywhere in the state and beyond. Children's Hospital is the one and only referral center for all non-routine pediatric conditions. For this reason, it is an essential piece of our regional medical system.

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It is easy to understand that any successful organization as effective at their service as Children's Hospital will grow until they eventually need more space.

The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan fits with the architecture of the existing facility, and therefore offers the most logical approach to an expansion.



Kirsty Ellison and John Misko
3707 43rd Ave NE
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Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019
July 25, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Attention Scott Ringgold:

We support Seattle Children's Hospital's plans for growth and Alternative 7.

As residents of Laurelhurst and parents of two girls under 17, we have witnessed the hospital's critical need for space. We are concerned that the hospital is faced with the possibility of turning away a sick child due to lack of space.

We have taken advantage of the superior care and emergency services at Children's for our children. Our eldest daughter has taken classes at Children's and we have visited many patients staying at the hospital overnight. We feel incredibly fortunate to have such a world class hospital in our own backyard.

Sincerely,

Kirsty Ellison and John Misko

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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JUDITH A. ENDEJAN
2012 Fifth Avenue North
Seattle, WA 98109

Department of Planning and Development
Attn: Scott Ringgold
PO Box 34019
700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000
Seattle, Washington 98124-4019

Re: Children's Hospital Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to offer my unqualified support for the Children's Hospital expansion and to ask that you do everything that you can to urge DPD to expedite approval of the Children's Master Plan so that Children's can start construction.

I have seen presentations of the Children's Master Plan and I am impressed with its thoughtfulness and how they have certainly gone the extra mile to work with the community over traffic concerns and neighborhood impact.

My son and I have been the beneficiary of Children's fine services over the years. It is truly a jewel in the crown of the great medical services that Service has to offer. It needs more space and the community should see that Children's gets it as soon as possible. Bureaucratic entanglement should not be allowed to delay the needs of Children's. I have lived in Seattle for 25 years and have observed how often projects get bogged down in process to the public detriment. I hope that will not happen this time for the Children's' project.

Thank you for receiving my comments.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Endejan

Eric Evans
4253 NE 8th Street
Seattle, WA 98105

July 6, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I strongly support the expansion of Children's Hospital according to the Laurel Terrace Alternative 7 plan. This plan allows the hospital to expand to meet the pediatric medical needs of the community for the next 20 years. I have lived in the Northeast Seattle area for a long time, and recognize the importance of Children's Hospital in this community. The Alternative 7 plan mitigates the traffic and construction inconveniences by orienting the construction site to the West of the existing hospital. Additionally, this plan includes a new transit hub providing more access to mass transit for employees, patients, and other neighborhood residents.

Please support the Alternative 7 plan.

Sincerely,

Eric Evans

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& Development

Michael Evered
4502 Somerset Blvd. S.E.
Bellevue, Washington 98006
206 979 8600
July 4, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft EIS

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Attention Scott Ringgold:

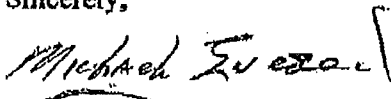
Why, you may ask, are you receiving a letter from a citizen in Bellevue to support the expansion of Seattle's Children's Hospital? My first sixteen years were spent growing up in Wedgwood and View Ridge. I vividly remember the original construction of the the hospital and the open fields surrounding the building. My mother was a long time member of one of the many Guilds and my brother Dan visited the hospital in the 50's twice, first to have a chicken bone removed from his throat and the next time to have his broken collarbone repaired.

Thirty-six years ago today I watched the fire works at Green Lake from our son's Hospital room as for eight days he was given tests for every catastrophic disease known to mankind. We were blessed that Brad survived viral encephalitis and found out years later that there was another boy who was admitted to the hospital at the same time that died from that disease.

Brad's family now lives in the Ravenna neighborhood and his son, Cade, has been a visitor to the out patient clinic more then once.

I know you are fully aware of the need for the expansion of the hospital and having served on The Bellevue City Council I fully understand the needs to accommodate growth. Every thing I have read certainly makes for a compelling argument to move ahead with the expansion plan, not just for the children in Seattle, but for the coming generations of this region.

Sincerely,



Michael Evered

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional
Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

>>> Samantha Everett <samanthajeverett@hotmail.com> 7/1/2008 8:29 PM >>>

To the City of Seattle:

I own a condominium in the Laurelon Terrace complex next door to Children's Hospital. I am a 33 year old librarian and have lived in my condo 1 ½ years. My sister and 2 year-old niece live five minutes away in the Bryant neighborhood. I grew up in the Seattle area and was very excited to purchase my first home and never imagined that it would be in the Laurelhurst neighborhood.

When I purchased my condo I had no knowledge of Children's Hospital plans to expand. I have attended meetings for the past year trying to educate myself about the expansion plans and my options. Although it has been educational, it has also been a very scary and anxiety inducing process.

This Father's Day I was making breakfast in my condo when I heard a man crying out. I wasn't sure where the noise was coming from and what it meant at first, but quickly realized it was from the hospital next door. I believe that it was a father crying out with grief because of his sick or dying child. That moment made me realize the importance of Children's Hospital in trying to save lives and provide the best possible care to children in the region.

I am willing to give up my home even though it has meant so much to me because I believe in the work of the hospital. I have also been promised a very generous buy-out offer which will mean that I can afford to buy another home in the Seattle area.

These are the reasons why I support Alternate 7, Laurelon Terrace.

My hope is that a modified Alternate 7 will be approved with lower building heights and more green space. The Laurelon Terrace complex has beautiful landscaping and I would hope that some of it can be saved to bring comfort to the patients and their families.

Thank you for reading.

Sincerely,
Samantha Everett

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July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I strongly support the Alternative 7 expansion of Seattle Children's Hospital. This expansion is critical to our community, and will provide enough beds to last the hospital 20 years.

Thank you so much for working with the hospital and community to enable us to succeed in our goal of a better hospital. Please support us and allow the hospital to continue to perform the miracles it does every day.

Sincerely,



Patty Evoy
28287 108th Ave SE
Kent 98030

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Jaye Farrell
4663 41st Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98105

July 7, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Dept of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

I am in favor of the city ADOPTING alternative 7....the expansion of Children's Hospital to Laurelon Terrace—as are the majority of my neighbors.

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We would like this completed as soon as possible so that we can move on with our lives, and Children's Hospital will be able to meet the medical needs of our community's children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Jaye Farrell". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

Jennifer Faultner
1208 Dayton Ave NE
Renton, WA 98056
425.277.4137

July 20, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master
Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

It's Christmas Eve 2007 and we're just walking in to our private room overlooking the hospital entrance. Zoe is clinging to me and one of our favorite nurses is running through the admittance checklist with us. Various nurses we've become friends with stop in to say hello to us as we unpack our bag, entertain our four year old and chat with Zoe's transplant cardiologist about her treatment plan. It is the second time this month she's been admitted for dehydration and electrolyte imbalance; as well, she has some swelling around her eye that is concerning. We know we'll be here through Christmas at least and we start hashing out the details of how to make the time special even at the hospital. We don't have to worry about how rambunctious our four year old is or how much room the presents will take up when we bring them in because, as always, we will have a private room. Our daughter received her heart transplant at Children's when she was 5 weeks old and continues, as she will the rest of her life, to be immunosuppressed. The one and only benefit of this condition is that we have to and always do receive a private room in the hospital.

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Being an inpatient for any length of time is exhausting for both parent and child. Their sleep schedule is tumultuous, tests and procedures are done as necessary not when convenient and illnesses always leave children cranky and weepy. It's not difficult for me to imagine how sharing a room would complicate the already impossible situation. With every hospital stay I realize how fortunate we are to have a private room. Every visit by a doctor for an exam at 11pm leaves me feeling thankful we haven't woken up another family or been awoken by their late night needs. Every morning as I shower in the adjoining bathroom I fail to see how I would be able to go across the hospital to the shower facility when my child won't let me out of her sight for more than 1 minute without crying in fear. Everytime I finally settle Zoe down for a much needed nap I wonder how I would manage this with another child in the room who is awake and ready to play or watch tv. How would I handle watching visitors come in who may or may not be sick, exposing my child to more illnesses that will lengthen her stay. When your child is sick, especially sick enough to be in the hospital you want to give them everything they need whether that's a movie at 1am, a

lullaby at naptime, or chance to be as loud and rambunctious as they can when they feel well enough. All this should be able to happen with reckless abandon but it can't when you are sharing a space smaller than most people's living rooms with strangers; strangers whose child has their own vitally important needs.

It's easy to shrug off these needs when you imagine families staying for a couple days and moving on with their lives but there are families who live at the hospital for weeks, even months and those of us who return time and time again; a regional medical center needs to meet the needs of all of these families; families who never imagined a hospital playing such a role in their family's daily life.

We must envision a future where more families receive private rooms during their hospital stay and at the very least maintain the availability of single rooms for transplant patients and those with highly contagious illnesses. Seeing first hand this past winter how filled to capacity the hospital floors were and knowing the area's growing population along with the expanding transplant programs this will quickly become an impossibility.

The past, present and future families of Children's Hospital are asking you to do the impossible; imagine needing the facility as desperately as we do; imagine what you would want for you and your family; imagine the possibilities.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Faultner

Jennifer Faultner

Cc: Michael Jenkins

Seattle Major Greg Nickels

Citizen Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital
and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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>>> Stacey Faw <staceyfaw@hotmail.com> 7/25/2008 10:20 AM >>>

July 25, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Attention Scott Ringgold:

As a Seattle resident and Children's Hospital volunteer, donor and supporter, I have experienced firsthand the pivotal role the hospital plays in our region, which is why I support Children's Hospital's plans for expansion.

I was introduced to Seattle Children's Hospital over 4 years ago. I am amazed at how quickly it became such an important part of my life.

Over the years, I have been working for a non-profit organization, whose mission and goals are to support the hospital. Our company donates nearly \$300,000 to the hospital's uncompensated care fund each year. This ensures that no child will be turned away due their inability to pay. What could be a greater gift, than the gift of life regardless of a family's income. I think this is phenomenal feature our local hospital offers.

While the monetary donations are important to us, the volunteer opportunities serve an even greater purpose. Through these volunteer opportunities, I have had the ability to work with members of the Children's Hospital staff and also with Children's Hospital patients and families. After spending just a short amount of time with these children, you can instantly see how much the Hospital means to them. It is a home, away from home for sick kids. As the demand for Children's high-quality services continues to increase, the hospital urgently needs to grow to meet the needs of its current and future patients.

As a resident of Seattle, I have witnessed the hospital's critical need for space, but I also understand that Seattle Children's needs to grow in a way that maintains the character of its surrounding neighborhood. Having worked in real estate for most of my professional career, I know how difficult it is to find nearby space like the seven-acre Laurelon Terrace property. Alternative 7 is an unbelievable opportunity to meet the hospital's need for additional space while also addressing some of the concerns of the neighborhood. Most important to me is that this alternative allows Children's to remain intact during construction, reducing disruption to patients and families.

I support Children's plans for growth and Alternative 7 because I believe every child deserves the best care available; and in Seattle, the best pediatric care is at Children's.

Sincerely,
Stacey Faw

>>> "Flajole, Kori" <Kori.Flajole@seattlechildrens.org>>>

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you to show my support for the expansion of Children's Hospital on the Laurelhurst campus. I am an employee at Children's (I work at the research institute) and have been here for a little over a year. Although I am fairly new to Children's, over the past year I have seen the patient population at the hospital increase substantially. There is a need for growth and the need is now.

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There should never be a price put on the health and wellbeing of others, especially children. As a citizen of Seattle and as a future mother, I urge the city to support the growth of Children's as I do.

Thank you for your time and consideration to this important matter,
Kori Flajole

Jamie Flaxman
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206/286-1295 (home) • 206/790-0081 (cell) • jamleandsam@earthlink.net

June 28, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

I am writing this letter in support of the expansion of Children's Hospital. As a parent, I never expected to use the hospital, other than the occasional weekend visit to the emergency room for stitches because of a fall. Little did I know how much time I would end up spending in that building, and how grateful I would be for that facility.

There is no other provider in Seattle that can provide the care my son needs—not Swedish, not the University of Washington, not Northwest, not Harborview. Believe me, I'd much prefer the seven minute drive to Swedish Ballard than the 20-25 minutes each way to Children's, once per week for outpatient care, and 12 consecutive days last year for in-patient care, hopefully not to be repeated again.

My son has unique mental health needs – he is diagnosed with ADHD, bipolar disorder, and a generalized anxiety disorder. He also has learning challenges as a result. He has been seen at Children's since 2003, first at their Lake City mental health clinic, until it was moved to the main hospital. Last year he also required hospitalization on their inpatient psychiatric unit for stabilization and assessment. Imagine having to place a 10 year child in the hospital because he cannot control his emotions—he is raging out of control, hitting, screaming, kicking, losing control, endangering himself and others. The staff at Children's are amazing, they understand the pain the parent is experiencing in having to admit her child to the hospital for help.

I had tried to have my son admitted to Children's a couple years prior for help when he was even worse, when my then eight year old had wanted to die, when he climbed out of his 2nd story bedroom window onto the roof, but at that time there were no beds available. No beds at Children's Hospital. How sad is that. I wasn't willing to admit him then to a psychiatric unit that wasn't focused on children so I dealt with him at home. It was almost the end of me. Last year when things became bad, thankfully there was a bed available at Children's. That hospitalization was the best decision ever. The last eight months I have had a new child, happy for the first time I can remember, successful for the first time in school, and less combative at home.

But it shouldn't come to the point of IF there is a bed available. With an expansion of Children's, there will be a bed available. To meet the needs of my child, and all the children in Seattle and King County, Children's Hospital must expand.

I understand the concerns of those who live in the Laurelhurst neighborhood. None of us like more traffic, we're all concerned about safety and pollution. I live on West Queen Anne, and am currently experiencing major growth and change in Interbay and along 15th W. This is the nature of change and time. Nothing stays the same. If I lived in Laurelhurst and was a parent, I would be excited to have the best possible health care for my child in my neighborhood, rather than a 25 minute drive away. Children's is doing everything possible to mitigate the impact on the neighborhood. Let us be thankful to have a world class hospital in our city, rather than unable to provide the care that our region's children so desperately need.

Sincerely,

Jamie Flaxman

cc: Michael Jenkins, Seattle City Council Central Staff
Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center

>>> "Tavis Flett" <tavismf@gmail.com> 7/9/2008 2:20 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have lived in Seattle my entire life and my family is from Northeast Seattle. As a new uncle, I appreciate that my niece has such immediate access to the world-class medical center that is Children's Hospital. Because I want Children's Hospital and the City of Seattle to work towards a plan that projects the expansion needs of the hospital beyond the near future, I support the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) expansion plan.

The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan allows the hospital to secure enough space to meet their needs for the next twenty years. Approving this plan means responsibly securing the continual presence of the quiet neighborhood I call home and ensuring that renowned pediatric medicine stays in my community. Additionally, this plan minimizes traffic in residential areas, moves the construction site away from neighboring houses, adds a new transit hub, and lowers the heights of the new building structures.

I urge you to listen to the wishes of the community as you consider the important decision you are facing. Please support the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) plan.

Thank you,
Tavis M. Flett

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>>> <patricia.flores@columbialegal.org> 7/24/2008 1:27 PM >>>

Dear Representative,

I am writing to you as a friend of Children's Hospital and supporter of Children's Expansion Plan. Children's Hospital is a beacon of hope for the many families who come from both near and far to receive desperately needed medical care only available through Children's. We must support Children's efforts to increase their capacity to deliver specialized medical care to our children in need.

Children's Hospital is a critical resource for our city, state and region. In 2007 Children's provided approximately \$65 million in un- and undercompensated care to children. Children's faces overwhelming challenges with regard to current and future bed shortages combined with severe space issues which interfere with their ability to adequately serve the unique needs of infants, young children and teens who face life-threatening illnesses, a surprising number of whom are children of color.

I understand that Children's Hospital is committed to meeting both the hospital's critical need for space while maintaining the character of the surrounding neighborhoods. Children's has been working with the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) to address community concerns. The new Alternative 7 (Early Laurelon Development) will help preserve the character of the neighborhood, maintain existing view lines, improve pedestrian and bicycle safety, and keep much of the construction away from the existing hospital, thereby limiting the construction's impacts on patients, families and immediate neighbors.

I urge you to do all you can to ensure that Children's Hospital can increase their capacity to provide desperately needed and specialized medical care to so many of our children in need. Just last year, there were a number of days during which every single patient bed in the hospital was filled. If Children's is not allowed to add beds in the next two to five years, the hospital could be forced to turn away sick children. This cannot happen.

Sincerely,
Patricia Flores
207 N 35th Ave
Yakima, WA 98902

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>>> "Fox, Lisa" <lisa.fox@seattlechildrens.org> 6/24/2008 8:28 PM >>>

Dr. Mr. Ringgold,

Seattle Children's Hospital is valued in our community as a leader in quality pediatric care and in employment of individuals with disabilities. Children's Hospital has reflected the patients that they service in their work force. The Project SEARCH program is an innovative employment program at Seattle Children's Hospital aimed at providing employment opportunities for people with developmental disabilities. The Project SEARCH program is a collaboration between Children's Hospital, King County Developmental Disabilities Program, Eastside Employment Services, Northshore School District, The Department of Vocational Rehabilitation and O'Neill & Associates. Seattle Children's Hospital was recognized by the Governor's Committee on Disability and Employment issues as Large Non-Profit employer of the year for hiring individuals with developmental disabilities. Children's has currently hired 26 individuals, 21 students have had work experiences and their are plans for more opportunities for individuals with disabilities in the future.

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We believe that Alternative 7 provides the best opportunity to preserve the character of the surrounding neighborhood while meeting the hospitals critical need for space. Please support Children's Hospital's plans for expansion. Children's Hospital needs to grow to continue to meet the specialized pediatric needs of our region.

We appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,
Lisa Fox
Project SEARCH
Program Manager

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

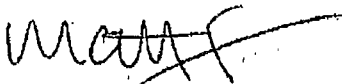
To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Matthew Fox. I have lived in and around Seattle my entire life of almost twenty-six years. Like other native and adopted Seattleites, I appreciate and understand what truly makes our city special: a shared sense of community and kinship. One important aspect of our community is Children's Hospital and the care it provides to ailing children and their loving families.

I support the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) Expansion Plan because it would greatly increase the services provided by Children's Hospital. Additionally, the Laurelon Terrace plan would help facilitate the healing of countless children. As a community we are extremely conscious of each other. By adopting and implementing the Laurelon Terrace Expansion Plan, we would be furthering and improving upon our already deep-rooted sense of community and kinship towards one another.

Some things are truly indicative of Seattle: coffee, grunge rock, the Seahawks, and Children's Hospital. Please help us make the Laurelon Terrace Expansion Plan a reality so that even more children can receive the treatment they need and deserve.

Sincerely,



Matthew Fox

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
Department of Planning & Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I strongly support Alternative 7. I feel that it is of the utmost importance that our hospital expands to make it possible to treat all of the children who need our care.

Children's Hospital is a cherished part of my community - they are performing priceless miracles every day for our children. Please allow our hospital to continue their efforts by approving Alternative 7.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gillian Friedman", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gillian Friedman
4223 NE 73rd St.
City of Seattle
98115

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>>> "Rhianna Fronapfel" <rhiannaf@gmail.com> 7/9/2008 1:53 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I would like to offer my support for Children's Hospital's 1,500,000 square feet expansion under Alternative 7.

I've lived in Seattle for many years and I'm personally aware of the value that the Hospital provides to this community. I believe Alternative 7 makes the most sense. It allays neighborhood concern about the hospital increasing its height by building on top of its existing campus. It nearly eliminates traffic concerns because it pushes growth toward the major arterial Sand Point Way. And the purchase of the adjacent condominium, Laurelon Terrace, is a win-win situation for the Hospital and the condo owners (who will be getting more than 2.5 times the value of their units).

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Alternative 7 makes the most sense and I hope that it is chosen.

Thanks for your and your staff's efforts on this project.

Rhianna Fronapfel
512 Boylston Ave. E., #207
Seattle, WA 98102

>>> "Arnie & Pat Gaillard" <arnpatgail@msn.com> 7/4/2008 9:21 PM
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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you with regards to Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrance Plan. I have lived in N.E. Seattle since 1959, my first apartment being in the Laurelcrest Apartments. My children have grown up in the area and on occasion had need of Children's Hospital's services. I have many friends whose children have spent a lot of time in Children's with very serious illness. The hospital took very good care of these children.

I support the Hospital's need to expand but have had concerns about their plan to build towers which would impact the neighborhood. They need to be good stewards of the area. This plan, Alternative 7, would create the least impact on the neighborhood. It would keep traffic in the neighborhood at a minimum and the construction impact would be less. I believe it is important to have Children's Hospital in this area as it keeps it close to the University of Washington Medical School with which it is a partner. I strongly recommend that this plan be approved for Children's Hospital.

Sincerely,
Patricia W. Gaillard
8601 Paisley Dr. NE
Seattle, WA. 98115

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>>> <llgain@comcast.net> 7/24/2008 3:57 PM >>>

To: Scott Ringgold

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing today to express my support for Children's Hospital and their efforts to grow a much needed facility in a responsible fashion. I believe that the efforts that they have taken to mitigate community impact are very significant:

Reducing proposed building heights from 240 to 160 feet, creating less view impairment
Reducing density. Minimizing hospital traffic on neighborhood streets and away from single family residences
Improving transit access for the community and Children's staff
Reduced impact to existing hospital facilities, staff, patients and neighbors during construction

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I also appreciate their efforts to have fewer building phases thus shortening the duration of construction and impact on the residents.

Children's Hospital is a critical and important asset to the city and the state.

Thousands of children and their families depend upon the outstanding medical faculty.

I believe they deserve our support particularly when they have come so far in their efforts to grow responsibly and provide for the all citizenry.

Sincerely,
Linda L. Gainer
658 NW 114th Pl
Seattle, WA 98177-4736

Kim Gama
15232 12th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98155

July 23, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

As a parent, aunt and friend of several Seattle Children's Hospital patient's, I would like to express my concern and hope for the expansion of our hospital, and the personal, economical and infrastructural need for Alternative 7. I've been a proud employee for over 21 years as well as a Seattle native who grew up less than a block from Children's campus and attended Laurelhurst elementary school.

My first hospital experience was at age 7 when my friend and I were playing tag, she ran out in the street and was hit by a car and thrown several feet. She was transported by ambulance to Children's. I was extremely saddened by this event but found relief as I was able to visit her. I was quickly assured by the nursing staff that she would be well enough to go home in a couple of days. We used to play in the field, which was located on the site where the hospital's main patient rooms exist to date, flying kites and rolling down the hill.

My boyfriend in middle school spent a significant amount of time in and out of this hospital as a hemophiliac patient. In high school I became an aunt to a beautiful little girl who had seizure disorders and was blind. She might still be here with us, if drug research then, had been what it is today. My niece had a friend who passed away from complications of Cystic Fibrosis however; she lived longer than expected thanks to the education and development of drug research. My step son was born with a cleft palate and hearing damage which was repaired by the skilled Children's Ear, Nose, and Throat workforce. I have several friends whose children are seen on a regular basis with hospital stays. Heart disease, seizure disorders, and mental illness top the list and that's just mine.

I work in the Investigational Drug Service, here at Children's and I can see the progress we've made over the years, helping achieve the goals of our Mission, to prevent, treat and eliminate pediatric disease. I know first hand the critical importance of expansion. I feel the impact and the need for growth as an employee and I understand the impact on the surrounding neighborhood. We are not efficient spread out across the city. I think Alternative 7 works synergistically with the local residents addressing their concerns while enabling the hospital to flourish.

Seattle is great place to live, work and play, as many would agree. Driving down I-5 one morning I counted 11 cranes across the skyline. Without the opportunity for Children's growth I don't believe we will sustain our great standing at the National level for superb pediatric care. We are a large part of the infrastructure here in Seattle and it is critical for us as a major city on the West coast to acknowledge that. Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center is good for the economy but we must be close in proximity to achieve our mission.

As a person of interest, in the hospital and the neighborhood, I hope you consider Alternative 7.

Best regards,
Kim Gama
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Teresa Garrick

PO Box 312

Renton, WA 98057

July 8, 2008

Scott Ringgold

Dept of Planning and Development

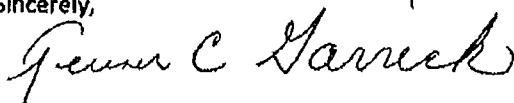
P. O. 34019

Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Mr. Ringgold:

I am a long time resident of the Puget Sound area. I appreciate the benefits of Children's Alternative 7 | 1
proposal for the expansion onto the property of Laurelon Terrace. Please consider this issue carefully.

Sincerely,



Teresa Garrick

Alison Garrison
809 NE 70th Street
Seattle, WA 98105

July 24, 2008

City of Seattle
Department of Planning & Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019
Attn: Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I have been a Seattle resident for many years and for longer than that I have been affiliated with Children's Hospital. I deeply understand the importance of Children's Hospital to our community. Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of the hospital.

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This plan is a solution that is compatible with the needs of the hospital and community. I urge you to approve this plan that will provide space to meet demand for 20 years. Thank you for working so hard with the community and the hospital to accomplish this goal.

Sincerely,



Alison Garrison

>>> Kathryn Garrison <kathrynhaggitt@yahoo.com> 7/10/2008 11:11 AM
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Just looked at the drawings and photos re: the proposed building for Children's. It's not as if some developer is putting in condos; this is about providing space for children from our community - Seattle and beyond - who are ill, so that they can be well-cared for. I know there are people saying NIMBY, but if not in our yard, then where? Issaquah? Kent? Miles away from the UW hospital, SCCA, the rest of Children's, etc.? Atlanta has a great metropolitan transit system because Seattleites couldn't make up their minds, losing the Federal funding which went to Atlanta. Let's not continue to let that happen. Growth can be well-managed and is not, per se, a bad thing, especially where the welfare of our community's youth is concerned.

Kathryn Haggitt Garrison
134 NW 56th Street
Seattle

>>> <Caitlin'Caity'.Gerhardt@seattlechildrens.org> 7/9/2008 8:30 AM >>>

Dear Scott,

I have been working at Children's Hospital for over a year now, and have trod the halls here as a parent with young children as well. And never in my life have I had the privilege of being part of such an phenomenal environment, where kids come first, where staff at all levels is rich with talent and dedication; where the foundational vision of compassion, education, accountability, and teamwork inspires and shapes all our work from sending a fax to brain surgery and beyond.

I greeted a vendor here once who was bringing sandwiches in for a noon meeting. She mentioned to me that she thought a children's hospital is such a sad place. She was interested to hear me speak about what we do here and how and why we do what we do — and she came away saying that Children's is a place of safe haven and hope and healing.

Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center in Seattle absolutely needs to expand; the statistics are unassailable. Serving the pediatric population as a tertiary care center for Washington, Wyoming, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho, and committed to providing care for every child who needs it regardless of income, Children's is indeed a vibrant, thriving hub of hope and healing. But when a child is in need, and literally no bed is available, and staff must create safe, make-shift holding patterns for critically and chronically ill or injured children until normal beds are freed up when patients are discharged — when a child is in need, and literally no bed is available, which was the case for several days last winter, what can a hospital do?

Clearly a hospital must expand to guarantee that every child in need has a bed, and has privacy, and has everything needed to promote speedy healing and complete recovery.

A few (loud) voices in the surrounding neighborhood of Laurelhurst have been stridently opposed to Children's plans for expansion. Views might be blocked. There might be too much traffic. The community's peaceful remoteness might in jeopardy. But are views the real problem? Traffic, really? The presumed collapse of tranquility of an upper-class neighborhood? Children's is simply marvelous, these few loud voices admit, but — not in my backyard.

My voice, small as it is, calls for Children's to grow so that it can continue to support children — all children — from sickness and injury into healing and health. My single small voice urges people to be inclusive, to be global, to be benevolent, and above all to keep the children in mind, front and center, and their worried, worried parents, that we may provide them with safe haven, hope, and healing.

Most sincerely yours,
Caity Gerhardt
Administrative and Program Assistant, General Surgery
Fellowship Coordinator and Writer/Editor
Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center
4800 Sand Point Way NE, W-7729
Seattle, WA 98105

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July 15, 2007

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

As a founding partner and principle of Seattle's Communiqué Public Relations, I would like to offer our company's whole-hearted support to the expansion of Children's Hospital. We feel that this is a critical resource for our city, state and region, and is deserving of the Council's fullest attention.

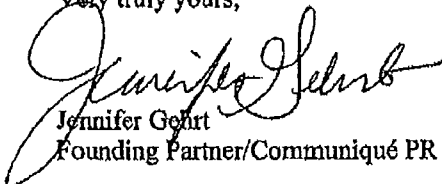
Children's Hospital is a priceless asset, from the leading-edge care it offers every child, regardless of the family's ability to pay, to the fact it has been, since its founding in 1953, one of the nation's leading academic pediatric medical centers, offering some of the nation's best pediatric care right here in Seattle.

And its reach is huge, serving the largest region in the country – Washington, Alaska, Montana, and Idaho— representing over 20 percent of the land mass of the U.S.

We feel that since it is operating at or near capacity 365 days a year, it should be allowed to expand, to better serve our region and its children. We foresee Children's Hospital becoming a comprehensive specialized children's care facility that can more than adequately serve the needs of chronically ill children through the care of highly skilled physicians, nurses and support staff.

We genuinely believe that Children's Hospital's planning committee has done a thorough and exhaustive study to determine how best to meet these needs, and are doing the best they can to help inform and influence decisions regarding the Major Institution Master Plan to address the needs of pediatric healthcare in the Northwest. We at Communiqué PR proudly support these efforts, and urge all of the members of Seattle's City Council to support them as well. This is a place where miracles happen. Do what you can to assure that they keep happening.

Very truly yours,


Jennifer Gohrt
Founding Partner/Communiqué PR

Cc: Mayor Greg Nickels; Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott:

Please support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. My whole family has moved to Seattle from Anchorage so that my 2.5 year old sister can be a patient of Children's. We have been here for 3 months staying in a local hotel and will probably be here at least another month. Because I appreciate the amazing work Children's has done for my sister and so many other patients, I volunteer in my free time.

Thank you.

Randy George

Randy George
3003 Wendys Way Apt 8
Anchorage, AL 99517

>>> "Behan Gifford" <Behan.Gifford@avenuea-razorfish.com> 7/10/
2008 8:16
AM >>>

Dear Scott-

Please accept our input for the EIS hearing tonight. We are writing in support of the full 1,500,000 sq feet proposed under Alternative 7 for expansion of Children's.

This proposal strikes us as a wonderful solution to provide the growth to support Children's with the great work they do- a facility we are so, so grateful to have near our home. Continuing their research by adding beds through this growth helps Children's continue to be the thriving, world class facility attracting top physicians and researchers - a facility that we are so incredibly fortunate to have in our backyard.

We are acutely aware of how important to the community it is to ensure that Children's grows and thrives. On a professional level, Jamie works every day providing support and equipment to the families of severely disabled children across the U.S., keenly aware of the imperative for a hospital of Children's status keep up with the needs of the greater region: families absolutely rely on the expertise and care available at the facility. On a personal level, we have experienced this first hand when it was necessary to medevac our oldest child for an acute illness several years ago: the caliber of care he required could only be delivered our region at Children's. Had we lived elsewhere, we may not be so fortunate to have a robust 9 year old today.

We are grateful for the DPD staff and the Citizens Advisory Committee for their work in developing Alternative 7, which is clearly a win-win for the community on so many levels.

Regards,
Behan & Jamie Gifford
10103 NE Garibaldi Loop
Bainbridge Island, WA 98110

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>>> "Michele Girard" <michele.girard@gmail.com> 7/18/2008 2:08 PM
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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to you in show of my support of the proposed expansion of Seattle Children's Hospital. I urge you to consider my comments.

As an employee at Children's, I have a deep understanding of the need for growth. The hospital is simply out of space. I see this play out on a day to day basis. What I also see is the background work that is done to help free up beds, to create new plans, to solicit staff feedback. I am fortunate to work at Children's in a role where I help to continuously improve not only the patient experience, but also all the variables that affect that. My department, Continuous Performance Improvement, is involved in all facets of life at Children's. We are deeply involved right now in work to eliminate unnecessary wait time in patient flow in order to send patients home quicker, which frees up time for new patients to come in. The hospital is dedicated to this work and it will help, but it will not match the demand predicted by the time more beds can be built. Hospital leaders from all levels are dedicated to continuously improving Children's and I know that we would not be pursuing expansion if it wasn't absolutely necessary.

Please help us have room for all children who will need Children's in the future.

Sincerely,

Michele Girard

Data Consultant, Continuous Performance Improvement
Seattle Children's Hospital

Marie Gladwish
644 Hillside Drive East
Seattle, WA 98112

June 4, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I appreciate the sensitivity that Children's Hospital has shown for the concerns of the neighbors throughout this expansion project. I am impressed that the Alternative ~~F~~ plan addresses the traffic issues, the visual impairments, and the construction inconveniences.

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I urge you to support the expansion of Children's Hospital. There is no doubt that this outstanding hospital should be expanded. This hospital is renowned throughout the nation for remarkable children's healthcare.

Sincerely,



Marie Gladwish

Scott Glasgo
7034 26th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98115

July 6, 2008

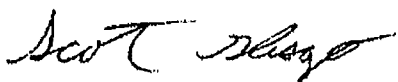
Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

As a resident of the Northeast Seattle area, I support the expansion of Children's Hospital. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan offers the best design for the hospital and the community. I am most appreciative of Children's Hospital's efforts to improve the traffic congestion in the area. I was glad to learn about the new transit hub that is part of the Alternative 7 plan.

I have learned about the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan through conversations with friends and colleagues. I strongly support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I believe it is in the best interest of Seattle residents. Please support this expansion option.

Sincerely,



July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

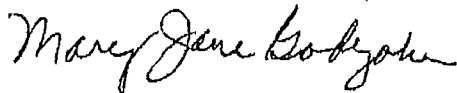
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Children's Hospital serves such an important role in our community. Please allow them to continue their life-changing work in a larger, new facility.

Sincerely,



Mary Jane Godejohn
29228 SE 5th St
Fall City, WA 98024

July 24, 2008

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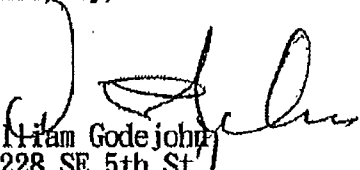
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Sincerely,



William Godejohn
29228 SE 5th St
Fall City, WA 98024

Leonard Gost
4641 41st Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

June 26, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I wish to express my support for Alternative 7 – the Laurelon Terrace Plan for Children's Hospital expansion. This plan reminds me of the KISS Principle – Keep It Simple Stupid. It makes so much more sense than the other plans. It is more home-like, a low profile, more campus like atmosphere that fits in with the surrounding community.

I have lived in this area for 18 years and have been a volunteer for Children's. I am a supporter of their mission and want to see them able to continue to provide needed health care for the children of the future.

I am willing to give up my home for Alternative 7. Yes, I will be paid for it – but I am proud to be a part of the community solution for Children's and my neighbors. With this plan, surrounding neighborhoods are protected. With this plan the building heights will not increase, the entrances will stay on the west side and construction will be kept away from the neighbors.

Please approve Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Leonard Gost

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Joie Gowan
5516 N.E. 55th Street
Seattle, WA 98105

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
DEPARTMENT OF
PLANNING
AND DEVELOPMENT

June 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Re: In Support of CHRM Master Plan Alternative 7--Expansion onto the Laurelon Site

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I grew up in Laurelhurst, attended Roosevelt High School and the University of Washington. I am a life-long resident of North East Seattle.

I support the expansion of the hospital onto Laurelon Terrace. I lived at Laurelon Terrace in the late 1970s. I agree that expanding onto the low lying property makes sense for the neighborhood. I see the development of the hospital complex as an opportunity to improve traffic issues facing all of these neighborhoods from the University of Washington, University Village, and the hospital. The hospital's expansion at a time proximate to the University Village expansion presents a unique opportunity to improve shared transportation options for these neighborhoods with these destinations. Also, the height and bulk issues presented by the expansion plan will be ameliorated by the hospital's expansion onto the low-lying Laurelon property.

I also encourage the city to approve the master plan as requested rather than cut back the hospital's square footage request. The process is arduous and expensive in both time and money for the neighbors, the neighborhoods, and the hospital. A reduced plan will only mean another request in 10 years. Hospital care is not an enterprise that creates its own market—the fact that the hospital expands does not mean that more children will get sick. It only means that more sick children will be able to be treated closer to their homes at an institution where the best pediatric specialists work together. Nor is there any financial incentive for the hospital to over build just to take up space. Approving the request for 1.5 million square feet is doable with the Laurelon site and it should be approved.

Thank you.

Joie Gowan
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Sean Grady
1419 176th Place
Bellevue, WA 98008

July 4, 2008

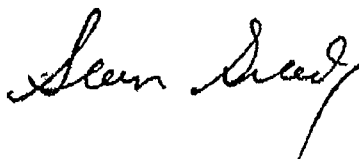
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Realizing that Laurelhurst community members have a history of instituting conflict with Children's Hospital, I am writing to you to voice my support for the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. This plan addresses all the concerns of the neighbors and serves the interests of the hospital and community.

I have been impressed with Children's Hospital's efforts to mitigate traffic impacts. Their existing transportation program has been very effective at encouraging employees to commute via mass transit. The success of this program shows that Children's Hospital has been going out of their way to accomodate the wishes of its neighbors.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sean Grady". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the "Sincerely," text.

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Denise Green
417 - 169th St SE
Bothell, WA 98012
July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
City of Seattle
Department of Planning & Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019
scott.ringgold@seattle.gov

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

Please support the expansion of Children's Hospital. I strongly feel that alternative 7 offers the best plan. The towers were not consistent with the character of the neighborhood, but the hospital must expand to meet the community's medical needs.

Thank you for working so hard with the community and Children's Hospital to find an expansion solution that is compatible with the needs of the hospital and the community. I appreciate that traffic congestion, impaired views, and character of the neighborhood have all been taken into consideration.

With regards,



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Steve Greene
4245 NE 124th Street
Seattle, WA 98125

July 4, 2008

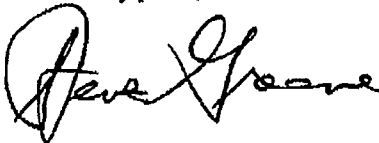
Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott:

I want to inform you of my strong support of the initiative to expand Children's Hospital, as per the Laurelton Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I am on the teaching faculty at the hospital and our patients would greatly benefit from this planned expansion, especially since Children's Hospital is such an important local and regional medical center. 1

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support of this important effort.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Greene". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Steve" being more prominent than the last name "Greene".

Steve Greene, M.D.

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the expansion of Children's Hospital. The Alternative 7 plan in which the new hospital buildings are built on the Larelon terrace site provides a win-win option for everyone. I know the neighbors are concerned about additional traffic, but traffic is a small problem compared to children who need medical care. Children's Hospital provides a healing environment specifically designed for children that cannot be found anywhere else in the region.

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Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Melissa Grice
1321 212th PL SW
Lynnwood, WA 98036

Connie L. Griffith
23120 SE Black Nugget Road #Q5
Issaquah, WA 98029

July 4, 2008

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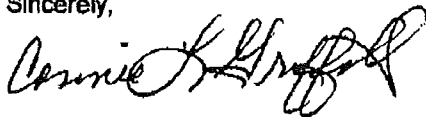
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 Expansion Plan for Children's Hospital. Children's provides a vital service to families in need all over western Washington. As the mother of a child with special needs who spent many years in hospitals such as Children's, I am very aware of how essential the operation of Children's is not only to the children and families of the Seattle area but to the entire region.

Given the increase in the population of the area and the increasing needs for the special expertise the hospital provides, its expansion is necessary for it to continue to provide the excellent level of health care to our children especially those with non-routine medical needs. Alternative 7 is the most likely to accomodate this growth while minimizing the impact on the surrounding neighborhood.

I used to live in Seattle and continue to work here. I have spent time in the Laurelhurst neighborhood visiting friends and enjoying its parks and walking trails. Children's Hospital is a vital element of this area. Children's has spent much time and effort putting together a comprehensive, well-thought out plan for its much needed expansion. I hope that you will make a thoughtful and expeditious decision in favor of this win-win proposal.

Sincerely,



Connie L. Griffith

>>> Seth Gustafson <sethgustafson@hotmail.com> 7/10/2008 12:30 PM
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

We live in the Bryant area of Seattle, close to Children's Hospital. Our son was a patient there soon after he was born, and as a "former patient family" we now take our children to the therapy pool at the hospital. I understand that the hospital is planning an expansion to the West onto the current Laurelon Terrace property that would increase the number of hospital beds and expand the hospital's ability to serve children.

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I am writing to support the Laurelon Terrace expansion, which I understand has been designed to minimize impacts on the surrounding neighborhood. As the parent of a former patient, it is important to me that the hospital be able to serve growing medical needs of children in the Pacific Northwest region.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Seth Gustafson
5550 28th Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Cole Hardman
14008 N.E. 32nd PL
Bellevue, WA 98007
425-269-882

July 21, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Attention Scott Ringgold:

I have been a patient of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center in Seattle since I was born, 21 years ago, and recently have become a "graduate." I lived the first nine months of my life at Children's and I can honestly say without their incredible doctors and nurses, I would not be alive today. I have had the pleasure of developing profound and lasting relationships with many of my doctors and nurses over the years from numerous clinical visits and checkups. Since the age of eight I have done lots of fundraising for the hospital, ranging from the telethons to auctions. I hold the hospital dear to my heart and feel that whatever needs to be done for the hospital in order to accommodate all patients is necessary!

With their uncompensated care program, they never have to worry about turning a single patient away. However, in order to ensure no child is denied, I firmly support the Hospital's proposition to expand their hospital, along with support of Alternative 7. As a patient, I truly see the value of having all the different clinics under one roof, it is much more accessible for the patient and family. Last year, the United States had the highest birth rate this country has ever seen. That being said, this will include a spike in care for those with chronic illness. With this in mind, Children's expansion is necessary and vital within the community. As a "graduate" from Children's Hospital I personally can attest to their incredible services. I think it is necessary for the city to approve the Hospital's proposition to expand in order to continue their remarkable services and help each child reach their full potential, regardless of their financial abilities.

Sincerely,

Cole Hardman, Patient

RICHARD HARMON
24124 Firdale Ave
Edmonds, WA 98028

July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Scott Ringgold,

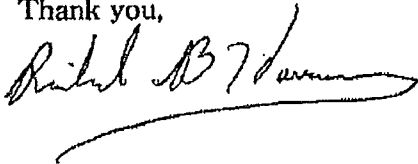
I am a volunteer at Children's Hospital, and I cannot say enough good things about it. So many children and families have been saved because the hospital combines world-class medical treatment with compassionate, dedicated patient care.

A critical component of their successful process is the healing environment they create at their hospital. The cheerful, colorful hallways filled with relaxed, smiling faces helps the young patients feel at ease and comfortable with their temporary home.

Children's Hospital cannot provide this atmosphere if they do not have enough space. If the hospital felt overcrowded, disorganized and chaotic, the patients would be confused and scared in an already uncertain situation.

PLEASE SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE 7, so that the hospital has the space they need to continue healing children.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Richard B. Harmon", with a long, sweeping underline.

July 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

As a member of the Seattle community, I have directly experienced the virtues that having Seattle Children's Hospital in the city brings us. And as I have seen Seattle grow, I have also realized that our hospital must grow too in order to continue performing the deeds that it does each day.

I strongly support the Alternative 7 expansion plan, and urge you to do so as well. More patient beds are in critical need, and expanding now will provide enough beds for the next 20 years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ann Harrison".

Ann Harrison
22359 Larvic Lane NW
Poulsbo, WA
98370

Dennis L. and Lorraine E. Hartmann
10627 Durland Ave. NE
Seattle, WA 98125
206-367-1518
June 20, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

It is with strong conviction and great enthusiasm that we write to state our unqualified support of Children's Hospital expansion plans, particularly as delineated in Alternative 7, the option that allows the Hospital to develop the neighboring Laurelon Terrace property.

We are 31-year residents of northeast Seattle who have always prized having this gem of a nationally recognized hospital for children in the northeast sector of Seattle. We have become more strongly convinced of the Hospital's need to grow as it would like to do since Lorraine joined Children's staff on August 27, 2007.

This past winter stressed its capacity beyond what it has experienced in the past and is a harbinger of what is on the horizon. Children's was completely filled several days and had to turn away sick children one day. Imagine how it would feel as a parent to be turned away from the specialist who could best save your child's life.

Moreover, the need for a much-improved ratio of single to double occupancy rooms is clear to us as Children's, as well as all pediatric hospitals, struggle with the risk that a young patient with an already compromised immune system will acquire an infection from another patient or the other patient's visitor, whether family or friend.

Ever-increasing numbers of Children's young patients have chronic illnesses which can be managed better than was possible medically in years past and the hospital needs the facilities to do this. Again, imagine your own child with a medically treatable chronic disease being turned away for lack of capacity from the people who could save his or her life.

Alternative 7 respects the wishes and needs of the patients and families, neighborhood and staff. It will not raise the height more than it is currently because of the lower elevation of the property there as compared with the rest of the hospital campus. It will minimally disturb the operations of the hospital as construction is completed. The planning seeks to maximize the ability of various services to care for a critical inpatient child by centralizing them on the main campus while decentralizing away from the main campus non-critical services.

Dennis L. and Lorraine E. Hartmann letter in support of Seattle Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center expansion plan DEIS, June 20, 2008

Furthermore, judging from the significant energy being expended and ever more generous incentives to commuters being established, we are convinced that the hospital will move mountains to keep the carbon and congestion footprint of its staff to an absolute minimum.

In her role as a Green Ambassador for Children's Lorraine can attest to its determination to be an environmentally responsible citizen as it seeks ever more ways to lower its ecological footprint. It is in the vanguard of hospitals in this area.

Importantly, the advances in treatment and research possible for sick children that an expansion will allow will augment the health of the young in this community and worldwide. We can expect that the pace of those advances will be brisk at what is now the highest rated children's hospital on the West Coast and eighth highest in the country (*US News & World Report* survey just published) and which has set its sights on becoming the best children's hospital.

In addition, the policy of Children's to treat children of families of whatever means tells all of us in Seattle and beyond that, in our community, health equity is prized and that the best medical care there is in the United States is available to all sick kids in our region, no matter whether they are rich or poor. In 2007 alone, Children's provided approximately \$65 million in uncompensated and undercompensated care. Its efforts to provide interpreter services to families, whatever their first language, are testimony to its commitment to make the essential partnership of families and Hospital caregivers strong across the spectrum of languages spoken by the families whose children are treated at Children's.

We unqualifiedly support Children's growth plans as described in Alternative 7, and urge you to do the same. We believe this is a hospital we can put our full trust in for our children and for all of us in this community and beyond.

Sincerely,

Dennis L. and Lorraine E. Hartmann

Co: Michael Jenkins

Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels

Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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July 9, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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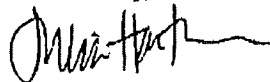
Dear Scott,

I wholeheartedly support the expansion of Children's Hospital in accordance with the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan. Born and raised in Seattle, I have seen the amazing things that Children's is and has been doing. With this expansion, the hospital will be able to do so much more.

In 1985, I underwent open heart surgery at Children's. Even though I was only three years old, I have only positive memories of the life-saving surgery. My parents could not have been happier with the exceptional service provided. All families that need the help should be able to obtain such amazing service.

I am hopeful that you support this plan.

Sincerely,



Julia Hartman
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Scott,

I fully support the expansion of Children's Hospital in accordance with the Laurelhurst Alternative 7 Plan. I have lived in Seattle my entire life and the number of friends and family members that have been helped by Children's Hospital is plentiful. Children's Hospital staff are remarkable, and expanding the ability to provide their services is important for families in Seattle.

Please support this plan.

Thanks,

Larry Hartman

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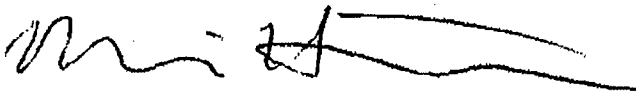
Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
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Scott.ringgold@seattle.gov

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan, and I urge your support as well. I have always been a strong supporter of Children's Hospital and firmly believe that this plan will provide the necessary improvements while simultaneously minimizing inconvenience on the neighborhood.

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Thank you,



>>> "Hawksworth, Jake" <jake.hawksworth@seattlechildrens.org> 7/3/
2008
4:54 PM >>>

Mr Ringgold,

I'm a father of 3 young children, a Wedgwood resident, and a Children's employee, so I have a vested interest in the future of Children's hospital and its proposed Major Institution Master Plan. Even though I work at Children's, I evaluate them under the same framework as any other organization in my neighborhood. The key questions are: does the organization provide a benefit to my community, and if so, do the benefits outweigh any drawbacks or risks? From this large perspective, I know that Children's provides amazing care to the children of Seattle and the Pacific Northwest. Further, this care more than offsets the issues associated with supporting a large institution.

At a lower level, Children's has worked closely with the community to create different development strategies to minimize negative impacts on the surrounding neighborhoods. The newest option, Alternative 7 (Early Laurelon Development) has several benefits, including:

- * Reduction of proposed building heights from 240 to 160 feet, creating less view impairment
- * Lower density
- * No proposed entrances needed on NE 45th and NE 50th streets, minimizing hospital traffic on neighborhood streets
- * Activity moved toward Sand Point Way and away from single family residences
- * Better transit access for community and Children's staff
- * Reduced impact to existing hospital facilities, staff, patients and neighbors during construction
- * Fewer building phases, shortening the duration of construction
- * A proposed transit hub to make it easier for people to get to and from the hospital without an automobile
- * An innovative mobility plan that addresses traffic impact and promotes pedestrian and bicycle mobility and safety

I support Children's growth and Alternative 7 is a well-crafted strategy that allows the organization to grow responsibly while addressing all of the neighborhood's meaningful concerns. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Jake Hawksworth

July 24, 2008

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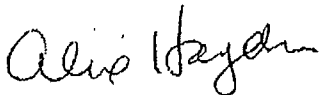
Mr. Scott Ringgold,

I realize you probably have heard many appeals regarding the expansion of Children's Hospital. I urge you to support Alternative 7. There are so many rational and emotional reasons to support this expansion plan.

Children's Hospital is out of space and cannot adequately provide rooms for all the pediatric patients that need their services. For this reason, they must expend considerable resources to build additional facilities. Please facilitate this expansion process as expediently as possible so those hospital resources can be refocused on the important mission of pediatric patient care. I have been a volunteer at Children's Hospital for many years and know first hand how important this expansion is.

Though Alternative 7 is a massive expansion project, it will take care of the need for the next two decades. That means the neighbors can rest assured that this issue will be resolved for many years to come. Since we are taking the time, I ask that you push to do this right. Do not bend to those that fear change and solve only half of the problem. Thank you for working hard to ensure that the community is behind an expansion solution for the long haul.

Sincerely,



Alex Hayden
17011 NE 20th
Bellevue, WA 98008

>>> Linda Hayes <lindahayes@waypoint.com> 7/9/2008 10:06 PM >>>

I would like to add my support to the proposed Alternative 7. It seems to
be a win/win for everyone. Please give it your full support. | 1

Linda Hayes

>>> "Chris Haynes" <cnorganhaynes@comcast.net> 7/3/2008 9:38 PM >>>

Dear Sir,

So I get this flyer from the Laurelhurst folks telling how horrible the Children's plan is... and well, so what?

Due to their diligence most of the helicopter landings now occur in my neighborhood (near the U-Village, on the low-rent side of Sand Point Way, in bucolic Bryant). Yes, it is annoying, but I can live with it.

Oh, wow... traffic? I'm sorry, is the traffic going to compare to the insanity that occurs during the six Husky football games and UW graduation? Though, occasionally I have had to direct confused people which 45th to turn on at 5-corners when they turn up NE 45th Place (which turns into 35th Ave. NE, it is the one a Burke-Gilman bridge goes over) instead of NE 45th St. (oh, yeah... I've actually seen a city produced map that had the distinction confused).

Also, Children's Hospital does have employee vans going to various points to relieve traffic. My daughter and I took advantage of the temporary waterfront shuttle last summer a couple of times.

The people in the Laurelon complex are being paid more than market price for their condos.

I am personally in favor of Children's Hospital expanding. Not just because I can walk there to donate blood.

My oldest son spent most of his first week of life there after having neonatal seizures. He has also gone through the emergency department and been subsequently hospitalized four times for croup, and another trip to the emergency department due to seizures again. He was diagnosed with a severe speech disorder at the speech clinic, and then received therapy there for over a year. My younger son was diagnosed with a language disorder there (but received therapy at the UW Speech and Hearing Clinic). Then my daughter spent an afternoon at the emergency department after falling on her head.

I have also gone to many of their educational seminars, and used their parent resource center for information from child development, speech disorders and ear tubes.

One time I actually knew my way around there. Fortunately, it has changed enough that I don't know my way around (to give blood I just have to make to the Giraffe Entrance).

Let Children's expand! It would be good for the area, from convenience... and for employment, and to encourage those who work there to be our neighbors.

Thank you,
Chris Haynes

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July 6, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold

This is a letter of support for Children's Hospital's proposed expansion on its Laurelhurst campus. As a fourth generation Seattle native and nurse at Children's Hospital for over 32 years, I have witnessed and participated firsthand in the expert care and services this hospital provides not only to the greater Seattle area and Washington state but to the entire northwest region... and beyond. As one of the nation's leading academic pediatric medical centers, with over 100 years of service, along with our recent ranking as #8 in the nation and #1 on the west coast by *US News & World Report*, the hospital has now surpassed its existing capacity and must grow in order to meet the expanding needs for specialized pediatric care in our region. Our current capacity of 250 beds must be at least doubled if not more over the next 15 to 20 years. This expansion would also create more single patient rooms, providing children and their families space and privacy while helping stop the spread of infectious disease – a real threat to children with already compromised immune systems.

Children's Hospital has managed its resources and growth well, judiciously studying the areas of growth in the region and the increasing number of pediatric patients. And yet, it is not enough. A recent study clearly illustrated ever larger number of chronically ill children, who are living longer than ever before who will require more specialty and high intensity care and comprehensive services that only Children's Hospital can provide. This past winter we reached 100% capacity at a time when almost all the area hospitals were also full. We quickly turned 10 outpatient beds into inpatient beds, ramped up supplies, services and staff and were able to provide urgent services without diverting patients outside the region.

Children's has also partnered well with the community and especially the Laurelhurst neighborhood in past and present master planning. Listening and addressing issues and concerns on both sides has not only limited and managed impacts of the hospital's growth but in some cases been a win-win. An example of this is Alternative 7, Early Laurelhurst Development, which provides the purchase possibility of approximately 7 acres contiguous to its existing campus. The size and location of Alternative 7 will not only help preserve the character of the neighborhood, maintain existing view lines, improve pedestrian and bicycle safety, keep much of the construction away from the existing hospital and will substantially lower the overall height of the buildings, eliminate the need for vehicle access points on NE 45th and NE 50th streets (thereby reducing the traffic on neighborhood streets), orients the new development away from the single family residential neighborhoods to the east and preserves landscaping and open space – a healing aspect of care.

As Children's has continued to grow, careful and conscientious planning has relocated non-critical care functions away from its hospital campus – business and support services to 70th and Sand Point Way, research facilities to South Lake Union and ambulatory clinics in Bellevue, Everett and South King County – while at the same time managing the impact of our ever increasing staff with an award winning transportation program. Less than 50% of hospital staff commute to work in single occupancy vehicles, choosing public transit, biking, walking, car and vanpooling. With creative shuttle systems, shared bike system, employee assisted housing in near by neighborhoods and bringing non-critical care operations closer to where patients live (thereby reducing vehicle trips to the hospital campus) – these and other efforts will help manage our growth.

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Seattle has the potential of having the best children's hospital in the country right here in our great city. All the resources are here. The timing is right. Children's Hospital has provided our community and region with 100 years of high quality expert pediatric care. With your support and leadership, courage and vision, help create care for all and particularly the most vulnerable. Future generations of children and their families will come to Children's Hospital in Seattle to find care, cures and hope - to pursue the best in life.

Sincerely,

Sue Heffernan, RN, MN
Clinical Nurse Specialist
Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nichols
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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July 2, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

I am writing today to express my support for Seattle Children's Hospital and its plans for the responsible, staged growth it urgently needs. I had the opportunity recently to hear an enlightening presentation about Children's need for expansion from Dr. Tom Hansen at an event hosted by Jan Kirkwood. The presentation was full of important information, but two overriding themes emerged – Seattle Children's Hospital needs to grow, and Alternative 7 is the best solution for the hospital and the community.

Dr. Hansen shared inspirational stories about the revolutionary pediatric care provided by Children's staff, as well as devastating information about the hospital's current lack of space. This winter, in the middle of the night, two operating rooms were converted into patient-care rooms to create beds for children who needed them. This story shows Children's staff members' ardent commitment to providing care to every child who needs it, which is exemplified by its pledge to provide care for all children, regardless of their families' ability to pay. Unfortunately, this story also demonstrates the hospital's pressing need for additional patient beds.

Seattle Children's Hospital must grow, and Alternative 7 is the best option for this expansion. I was impressed by the exhaustive research that went into this planning process, as well as the cooperation between the hospital and the Citizens Advisory Committee. Alternative 7, as a result, manages to meet the hospital's critical need for space while maintaining the neighborhood's character, reducing building heights, mitigating traffic and orienting the development away from the Laurelhurst's residential area.

Seattle Children's Hospital provides highly specialized pediatric care, and is a critical resource for our city, state and region. To ensure all children who need future care have access to Children's world-class services, expansion is necessary. The continued well-being of children in our community and region is the bottom line.

Sincerely,



Linda V. Henderson

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard



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Scott Ringgold
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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AND DEVELOPMENT

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Scott:

I am writing today to urge your support of Children's Hospital's plans for growth – specifically those designed in Alternative 7. Children's Hospital is at capacity and it is time that the hospital needs to grow in order to serve the children demanding its specialized services. We are at a critical time in our region – we are growing, and so is the number of children in the area. In order to continue serving the children of our region, Children's must grow.

17 years ago, my step-son was diagnosed with a life-threatening form of brain cancer. We took him to Children's Hospital and the doctors and nurses there saved his life. He is now a thriving adult, but I will never forget the work that Children's did to save his life.

It is obvious to me that Children's Hospital has gone to great lengths to develop a plan that will serve their needs as well as help to maintain the character of the neighborhood surrounding it. Alternative 7 is the best plan for Children's growth, as it meets the hospital's critical need for space while mitigating concerns related to traffic, noise and views, as expressed by the neighborhood.

As a Seattle resident, I have seen the exponential growth of residences, traffic and noise. We in Seattle have a quality of life unparalleled in many parts of the country. We are able to have that quality of life because of the expert services offered here, one of those being Children's Hospital. The hospital is an asset to this city and a founding partner of the Laurelhurst neighborhood.

I urge you to approve Seattle Children's Hospital's draft of its Major Institution Plan and Environmental Impact Statement. We owe it to all of the families out there who will need this institution in the future to assure there will be a bed available when their child needs it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Jan Hendrickson', written over a circular stamp.
Jan Hendrickson
General Partner

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
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June 29, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center is a significant and essential resource in our region. As you know, the hospital's plans for expansion have come under intense scrutiny by some of its neighbors. I propose that this project be looked at in terms of the greater community it serves; not just the neighborhood of Laurelhurst. As a long-time employee of Children's Hospital, it is with great pride that I reflect on the work being done here and think passionately about both its mission and effort to remain a world-class institution.

It's not by accident that Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center has once again been named one of the top children's hospitals in the nation by *U.S. News and World Report*. This institution is dedicated to providing the very best medical care to every patient and family, regardless of their ability to pay. The mission of the hospital, "*with the support of our community, we will prevent, treat, and eliminate pediatric disease*" is central to each person who chooses to be a part of it.

Currently, the hospital is at capacity and requires urgent expansion to meet our growing need for additional beds. Children's has worked tirelessly to address neighborhood concerns of growth and the impact on their community. With Alternative 7 (Early Laurelon Development), the character of the neighborhood will be preserved and traffic will remain on major thoroughfares. Children's values their relationships with the community. This is evident in its aggressive efforts to reduce traffic congestion to and from the hospital, its commitment to strong environmental stewardship, and its efforts at bringing non-critical care to neighborhoods away from the main hospital campus.

Given the work Children's has done to build its relationship with the Laurelhurst neighborhood, it is extremely disappointing that a group of individuals is so against the expansion of this world-class facility. Hopefully, their children will never need to be air-lifted to Children's or need state-of-the-art care, but if they do, they'll be thankful we're right in their backyard.

Miracles happen here. Please consider the decisions being made today carefully, as they'll have a lasting impact on our community for years to come.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Herber

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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July 24, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
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Attention Scott Ringgold:

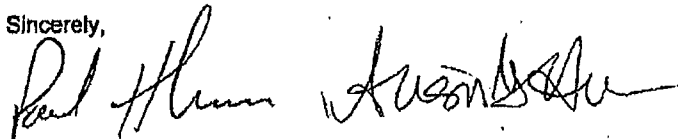
As a neighbor and a parent that has used the Children's Hospital facility with our children, we support the Children's Hospital's plans for expansion.

As a resident of the neighborhood, I have volunteered for Children's Hospital's activities and have seen the critical need for space. I understand the need to grow while maintaining the character of the surroundings. Clearly, there is a challenge in finding contiguous space in greater Seattle, but the Laurelon Terrace property – in conjunction with Alternative 7 - provides the optimal opportunity to address the hospital's need for additional space while addressing the neighborhood's concerns.

Children's Hospital has proven itself to be a very good neighbor – from their transportation efforts to reduce automobile traffic, to their environmental stewardship to reduce energy, improve efficiency and conserve natural resources.

We support Children's plans for growth and Alternative 7 because every child deserves the best care available, and that care is at Children's.

Sincerely,



Paul & Alison Herber

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

June 30, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center Draft Master Plan and Draft
Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98125-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

I am writing you in complete support of the current expansion plans for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center including the early Laurelon development described in alternative 7.

The thousands of stories of the children and families who have been cared for by Children's over its first century should be enough to approve the expansion plans of Children's without further discussion. The children who have been cared for by the doctors, nurses and other clinical staff are the real heroes. I am sure you have heard and seen hundreds of those experiences. I pray that you were not personally part of any of the hundreds that did not turn out as we had plan. If you are I suspect that in the midst of it all, there was always a hope and that your child/grandchild was cared for with dignity.

I am choosing not to share another story, but want to acknowledge that far too many of these kids face more significant issues than any one person should have to in a life time. They do so with such courage, grace and dignity; such that every "adult" sharing in their experience, is transformed. When I first came to be part of the Children's team, I had the opportunity to attend a Guild luncheon. I sat at a table with seven other individuals in a room with close to a thousand deeply committed supporters of Children's. I asked a woman sitting next to me what her connection was to Children's. She said, "my grandson died of a brain tumor at Children's a couple years ago and it was such a positive experience, I just wanted to help in anyway I could." Now I'm not sure if I could ever put "grandson died of a brain tumor" and "it was a positive experience" in the same conversation, let alone the same sentence. You see, two of my son's (now adults) were treated at Children's years ago. Those were positive experiences and did not come anywhere near to words like tumor, cancer, heart abnormalities, etc. that so many kids, parents, grandparents and families hear day in and day out.

We, the greater community of Seattle and the Pacific Northwest, have an ethical and moral obligation to the children of our region. They deserve the best we can do to provide hope for a future, exceptional pediatric clinical care in a single center of excellence and cures for disease. Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center has been doing so for the past 100 years. As our community grows, clinical outcomes improve the survival rates of children and complex medical/socio-economical issues of the kids Children's treats increase, the need for expanded facilities and services is critical.

Notwithstanding the impacts on transportation, environmental stewardship and sustainability, the health of the children in the northwest must be our highest goal. For the past 100 years Children's has demonstrated many actionable efforts to assure the impact of its moving, growth and daily operations on it neighbors and the Pacific Northwest region are conducted at the highest practical, ethical and moral standards. Most recently its commitment to mitigate the impact of its employees and patients/families on the regions transportation issues has resulted in recognitions for local government, communities and corporations in the greater Seattle area. Failure to allow Children's to expand on its Laurelhurst campus, will only exacerbate the transportation issues as patients and families are forced to access multiple site for care.

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We must act now and allow Children's to fulfill the promise each parent, the community and local/state governments make to every child. If Children's is held back from its plans to expand services and facilities, I fear the children will be the only ones hurt by our short sided decision. In that regard, I respectfully urge you to approve Children's expansion which help to keep our promises.

Sincerely,

Warren E. Hewitt
311 NW 199th Street
Shoreline, WA 98177
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Cc: Michael Jenkins, Seattle City Council Central Staff
Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center
c/o Steve Sheppard

KEVIN HILL

2402 NE 65th Street #207

Seattle, WA 98115

JULY 7, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Development and Planning
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

RE: SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE 7

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a property manager and resident of the Northeast Seattle neighborhood of Ravenna. I support the continual presence of Children's Hospital in my community, and I know it has a positive impact on the desirability to live in Northeast Seattle.

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion option because it allows the hospital to grow in phases over the next twenty years, while also maintaining its quiet, non-invasive presence in the neighborhood. The Alternative 7 plan is the best solution to an expansion because it lowers building heights, reduces traffic on neighborhood streets, relieves traffic congestion by installing a transit hub, and keeps construction away from local homes. Please support Alternative 7.

Thank you,

Kai Hill

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MEGHAN HILL
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SEATTLE, WA 98115

JULY 7, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Development and Planning
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Scott Ringgold:

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion option because aligns with the character of the Northeast Seattle neighborhood. My husband and I manage property and live in Ravenna. We see that property values are maintained and increased because of the remarkable reputation of Children's Hospital.

Alternative 7 allows the hospital to continue thriving in a way that betters the Northeast Seattle community. In addition to providing a solution to the disapproval of building towers in the middle of a residential neighborhood, Alternative 7 addresses traffic, hospital access, view, and construction intrusion concerns.

I urge you to support Alternative 7 because it is the desire of the community to maintain an environment where Children's Hospital can grow in alignment with the neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Meghan Hill

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June 26, 2008

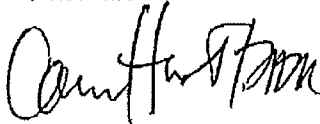
Dear Department of Planning and Development,

I am writing this letter to voice my support of the Children's Hospital expansion project in the Laurelhurst neighborhood of NE Seattle. I am a home owner in the Bryant neighborhood, only minutes from Children's Hospital, and have always valued the security of knowing that one of the country's top children emergency care facilities is in my own backyard, coupled with the fact that I have on many occasions had to use this hospital's emergency services for my own 3 children. Most recently my 10-year-old son was admitted for an emergency appendectomy in February. I experienced first hand the effect the tight quarters has on patients and the need for more room.

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In particular, I feel that Alternative 7, the Laurelon Terrace expansion option, is a wise, common sense approach to expanding the hospital's space while having little impact on the neighboring communities, and fully support this alternative.

Thank You,
Carrie Hirst



Mary M. Hodgson
4008 NE 45th St
Seattle, WA 98105

July 7, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am a sixteen year resident of Laurelhurst. I have come to appreciate Children's Hospital in many ways, but particularly for curing the leukemia of my nephew.

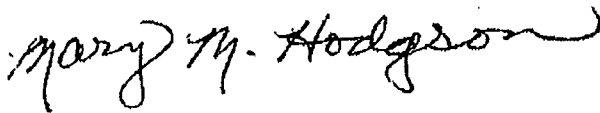
I love the neighborhood, and I expect to live within this community for the rest of my life.

Children's Hospital is an amazing resource to our city and the Northwest. To me, the only logical direction of growth is Alternative 7 onto the current Laurelon Terrace property. This plan addresses most of the initial concerns presented by the neighborhood and minimizes as much impact as possible with growing in this direction.

This alternative is an excellent way to support Children's Hospital and its role in our community for a long time. Please consider this letter a ringing endorsement for this option.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,



Mary M. Hodgson

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Dear City Officials,

I am both a physician at Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center and a resident in the Laurelhurst community where it is located. I feel that the hospital is more important than the community but their interests can both be represented successfully.

As a physician I came to "Seattle Children's" to train top pediatric interventional radiologists. The hospital and medical center attract top notch pediatric and radiology residents, and pediatric radiology and interventional radiology fellows. I have only worked in hospitals of excellence including Boston Children's Hospital and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and I consider "Seattle Children's" in that league, now ranked #8 in the country.

Our patient population is from the 4 state area and represent the sickest children often with multiple medical problems requiring transplantation and intensive care. We are desperately in need of more space. I need more space for performing interventional radiology procedures. I have had a 50% grow of interventional radiology cases in the last year. I currently have one room for procedures that is occupied from 8AM until 7PM and I am turning cases away or delaying treatment. I also need more space to see outpatients for procedure preparation and follow-up and am limited to ½ day a week at present. Unless more outpatient space appears, I will need to start an evening clinic.

As a resident of Laurelhurst, I often walk to work or ride my bike, keeping the precious parking for patients and other staff members. Seattle Children's has one of the highest bike commuting populations of any hospital anywhere in the USA. The hospital grounds are beautiful and add character to the neighborhood. I consider the hospital non-intrusive and quiet. In short they are a good neighbor. In Laurelhurst, we have no industry and no other commercial development except along Sand Point Way and 45th street. We have the University of Washington Botanical Gardens, Talaris conference center and one private and one public school. Our community is quiet and blessed. We can afford to have some growth of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center.

Fred Hoffer MD

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>>> "Kandy Holley" <k.holley@comcast.net> 7/24/2008 5:27 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I've been a volunteer of Children's Hospital for more than 20 years. In that time, I've seen the tremendous work of countless doctors and nurses who've treated sick children. They are caring, compassionate, and dedicated to treating ALL children in the WAMI region (Washington, Alaska, Montana and Idaho). I've also seen the tremendous amount of growth of population in the Puget Sound, as well as the huge increase in uncompensated care. Most of my volunteer work is centered around fundraising for uncompensated care through the guild association.

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We NEED Children's Hospital in our community. It's an undeniable asset and beacon of hope for many, many families. But, our facility is busting at the seams! The hospital needs to grow to meet the needs of today's sick children. Please vote to allow Children's Hospital to grow and please support Alternative 7.

Thank you,
Kandy Holley

>>> Kathy Holliday <katatonia55@yahoo.com> 7/7/2008 9:35 AM >>>

Hello Scott,

I am writing in support of the the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) plan for Children's Hospital expansion. I live in the Laurelon Terrace community (Building 4, Unit 4009) and sold my condo in January to Children's Hospital. I live, work and walk through this neighborhood (I work at the UW and walk to work.)

I support the mission of Children's Hospital and value the presence of Children's Hospital in the NE Seattle community. A friend who lives in Europe who brought his son specifically to Children's for surgery and I see children in recovery in the neighborhood. (If this expansion plan was for a business corporation or factory I would emphatically not be lending my support!)

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I support the Alternative 7 plan because it does reduce traffic on residential streets, minimizes construction impacts on the hospital and neighbors, and preserves homeowners' views.

One suggestion I would like to make in the event of demolishing the Laurelon Terrace buildings - to recycle and reuse the hardwood flooring and other materials (by making these available via RE Sources for Sustainable Living, (see: <http://www.re-sources.org>) - and to relocate some of the trees and flowering plants wherever possible.

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I hope this Alternative plan will be approved; I am currently in the process of job searching to relocate out of Seattle and the additional funds would make this transition much easier.

Sincerely,
Kathleen Holliday

Hilary Howarth
4659 41st Avenue Northeast
Seattle, WA 98105

7 July 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

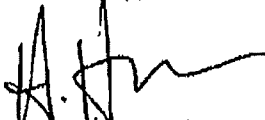
To Scott Ringgold:

I live in the Laurelhurst neighborhood and am very interested in the Children's Hospital expansion proposal. I have lived in the community for twenty years, have been an employee of the University of Washington for over a decade, and understand many of the concerns my neighbors have about the Children's Hospital expansion.

I have weighed the issues of increased traffic and usage of our neighborhood versus the benefit of a Children's Hospital expansion, and believe that the best course is for the community and the city to support Alternative 7, which would annex Laurelon Terrace and build Children's Hospital's expansion next to Sand Point Way.

Thank you very much for your attention.

Sincerely,



Hilary Howarth

cc: Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee for Children's Hospital

Jane Humphries
6707 Cascade Ave SE
Snoqualmie, WA 98065
July 24, 2008

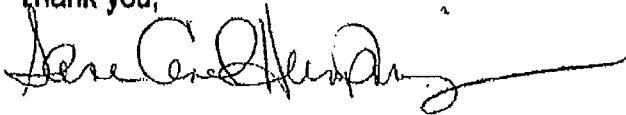
Scott Ringgold
Land Use Planner II
Dept of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr Ringgold,

First, I would like to thank you and everyone at the city, from the community, and at the hospital for working so hard throughout the planning process of the Children's Hospital expansion.

Secondly, I am certain you have found an excellent expansion option in Alternative 7. As a volunteer of Children's Hospital, I know how important this project is, and I appreciate that it will be completed in a way that works for the surrounding neighbors.

Thank you,



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>>> Matt Hunt <matt@hmgseattle.com> 7/10/2008 10:21 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to express my support for the Laurelon Terrace Expansion of Children's Hospital. I realize the importance of an expansion plan that allows Children's Hospital to meet the pediatric medical needs of our community's children, as well as generations yet to come. Because I want Children's Hospital and the City of Seattle to work towards a plan that projects the expansion needs of the hospital beyond the near future, I support the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) expansion plan. This plan allows the hospital to secure enough space to meet their needs for the next twenty years. For a Northeast Seattle resident, such as myself, this plan means that my community will not have to face this same issue in the near future. In addition to securing hospital access for the children of my community, we can secure the continual presence of the quiet neighborhood that I have always called home.

I was born, raised, and have lived my entire life in Northeast Seattle. My family loves the neighborhood because it is quiet, safe, and friendly. Even though I'm not a parent, I can appreciate having immediate access to the world-class medical center that is Children's Hospital. I strongly urge you to hear the wishes of my neighbors as you consider this important decision. In my view, Alternative 7 has addressed the concerns of the community by mitigating traffic impacts, construction inconveniences, and view impairments. Please support the Laurelon Terrace (Alternative 7) plan.

Thank you,
Matt Hunt
2219 Eastlake Avenue East, Apt. 301
Seattle, WA 98102

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July 9, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing you to let you know of my strong support for the expansion of Children's Hospital as proposed under Alternative 7. This proposal does the best job at accommodating both the needs of the hospital and the needs of the surrounding neighborhoods.

Before you make any decision regarding Alternative 7, I think it is important for you to recognize the impact Children's can have on members of this community. Growing up, my younger brother was diagnosed and treated for leukemia at Children's. During this terrifying period, the skill and compassion that the staff exhibited towards both my brother and the rest of my family played an undeniable role in his recovery. It also inspired me and my father to become volunteers at the hospital when I was in high school. Hopefully this letter will inspire you to allow this necessary expansion so that Children's can satisfy the growing demand for pediatric medical care in this area.

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Sincerely,


David Hutchison

23407 23rd Ave SE
Bothell, WA 98021-9646

July 24, 2008

Mr. Ringgold
Dept. of Planning & Development
P O Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Mr. Ringgold,

I am a individual business owner whose 50 clients are mostly Laurelhurst residents with the rest made up from nearby neighborhoods. I commute each day from my home in Poulsbo because I love what I do. I travel up and down Sand Point Way and 45th Street multiple times each day/5 days a week as a dog walker taking dogs back and forth to Magnuson Park. I make 2 runs a day so I am driving and delivering my dogs to and from their homes. I have no concern about increased traffic as a result of the expansion. While I may end up sitting in traffic a few more minutes each day it doesn't compare to the immediate need of more beds at the hospital.

I recently heard about the expansion efforts at Children's Hospital and really support their proposed plan. I understand Alternative 7 has been designed to lessen the concerns of the neighbors and I'm sure that is appreciated. I know what an incredible hospital Children's is and feel very fortunate to have it right here in our community.

Thank you for all you and your dept are doing. I hope you will support Alternative 7 so we can be assured that the hospital won't have to continue to turn children away due to lack of beds.

Thank you,



Gretchen Jannenga
19326 Crestwood Ct. NE
Poulsbo, Washington 98370

B, GERALD JOHNSON
404 WEST HIGHLAND DRIVE
SEATTLE, WA 98119

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Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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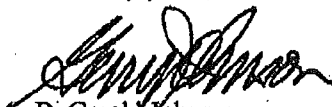
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I write in support of the proposed expansion of Children's Hospital. Of the expansion options under active consideration, it seems to me that the scenario (Alternative 7) that envisions use of the Laurelon Terrace property represents the best opportunity for meeting the institution's compelling need for growth while addressing many neighborhood concerns.

Having grown up in Northeast Seattle and raised a family in the City, I am personally familiar with the critical role Children's plays in the health care delivery system in our community. Both of our own children have been treated there and our experience confirms the value of a nationally recognized medical center focused on the health care needs of young people. I also hasten to point out that I have known Children's to have been a substantial presence in its current location during my entire lifetime. As communities grow and institutions mature to meet growing demands and work to improve and broaden the services they provide, expansion of facilities is only to be expected. Balancing institutional needs with legitimate neighborhood concerns should be the overarching goal of the process in which you are engaged. Alternative 7 seems to represent a sensitive way of accommodating reasonable and totally foreseeable growth for Children's while responding to many neighborhood concerns.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,



B. Gerald Johnson

July 23, 2008

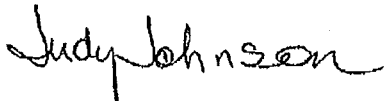
Scott Ringgold
City of Seattle
Department of Planning and Development
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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott Ringgold:

I am writing to you because I would like you to support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This expansion is so important for the continual viability of the hospital. Already the hospital is over capacity. More beds are needed right away. Please support Alternative 7.

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With Regards,



Judy Johnson
1281 State St. S #405
Kirkland, WA 98033

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Seattle, WA 98124-4019

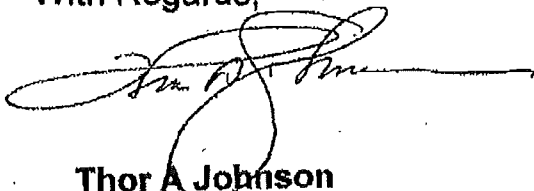
23 July 2008

Dear Scott Ringgold:

As a volunteer of Children's Hospital, I urge you to support the Alternative 7 option. Children's Hospital needs to expand so they can continue healing patients and their families. I cannot describe the impact that the hospital has had on the community.

I know that anyone who has spent any length of time at the hospital fully supports the work being done there and will do anything to further facilitate the hospital's efforts. Now that the hospital is facing a shortage of space, it is time for the community to offer assistance by implementing an expansion plan that is mutually beneficial. That plan is Alternative 7.

With Regards,



Thor A Johnson
4234 105th Ave NE
Kirkland, WA 98033

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>>> "The Judahs" <judah@thejudahs.com> 7/9/2008 10:26 PM >>>

As an 18 year resident of Seattle, I would like to add my support for the 1,500,000 sq feet of Children's expansion as proposed under Alternative 7. It is always difficult to find the appropriate compromises in a situation like this, but it is clear that the capacity for Children's must grow as the region has grown. Alternative 7 seems like an appropriate compromise for all.

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Norm Judah
4200 Boulevard Place
Mercer Island, 98040

Paul and Stephanie Judy
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Seattle, WA 98115
seattlejudys@mac.com

June 26, 2008

Scott Ringgold
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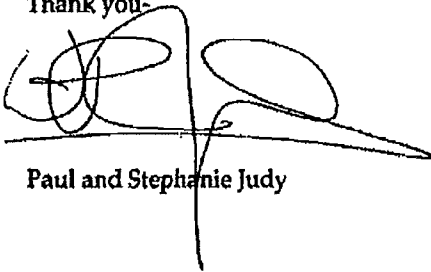
Dear Mr. Ringgold-

We're writing to you to voice our support for the Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. We believe in the basic notion of expansion for Children's Hospital because it serves such an important role in our community. Having raised two children in NE Seattle (William will be 8 yrs. old in October, Kate will be 6 yrs. old on Christmas Eve), I can personally attest to the excellence of Children's Hospital. Knowing that there is a world-class medical facility with a family-centered approach just minutes away is comforting and also a source of pride for us.

While we have had numerous experiences having our own children treated at Children's, we are also neighbors and place a high value on thoughtful development in our community. I also understand that maintaining the highest level of research and care requires growth to attract the best medical talent and to provide the best possible care for patients and their families. I'm convinced that the Laurelon Terrace plan represents an ideally balanced approach to development for Children's.

We hope you will join us in supporting the Children's Hospital expansion effort for the future of the hospital, for the community of Seattle, and for the many kids who will benefit from it for generations to come.

Thank you-



Paul and Stephanie Judy

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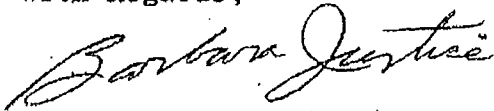
Dear Scott Ringgold:

Please support Alternative 7. This is important to me because I am a longtime supporter of Children's Hospital. The hospital continues to amaze me with their healing powers.

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The hospital is over capacity and needs space to secure their ability to provide quality care in the future.

With Regards,



Barbara Justice
4004 - 243rd Pl. SE
Issaquah, WA 98029

July 8, 2008

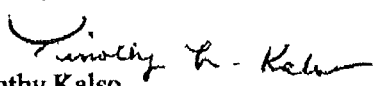
Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

My name is Timothy Kalso. I am writing you to voice my support for the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 Expansion Plan. Growing up in King County, I have seen firsthand the important role Children's Hospital plays in the community. In 2005, my 4-month old niece required hip surgery after a fall in her home. The entire staff at Children's, ranging from the doctors to the receptionists, did a tremendous job of keeping my entire family calm during this frightening period. Everything turned out better than expected, due in large part to the excellent services Children's was able to provide. It would be a shame if a family in a situation similar to mine did not receive the same opportunity for care in the future.

I have been following the proposed expansion plans for Children's, and it appears that Alternative 7 does the best job of serving both the needs of local residents and the needs of the hospital.

Sincerely,


Timothy Kalso

17426 Bothell Way NE A-203
Bothell, WA 98011

>>> "Neil Kaneshiro" <neilkaneshiro@comcast.net> 7/6/2008 11:34 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing in support of the expansion of Children's Hospital and specifically the plan known as Alternative 7 which would utilize the land currently occupied by the Laurelon Terrace community.

I live less than 2 miles north of Children's Hospital and consider myself a neighbor, but I am writing as a concerned pediatrician. I am the current President of the Washington Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics which represents over 800 pediatricians on Washington State. The expansion affects me personally as a practicing pediatrician and as the President as I deal with regional issues regarding pediatrics in the state of Washington.

Over the past several years I have noticed that inpatient access to Children's Hospital is increasingly difficult. I have the honor and the burden of caring for many children with complex and difficult conditions. Some of these diseases have names and some have yet to be sorted out. In any case, I believe that my patients require more inpatient time than most other primary care pediatricians in the state. In years past, I would be able to directly admit a patient without much fuss or difficulty unless it was the middle of respiratory virus or gastroenteritis season. When a patient is directly admitted to the hospital, the family is able to bypass the cost and controlled chaos of the emergency department. In these cases, there are no medical issues to be sorted out or decisions that need to be made by the emergency physicians. However, when the hospital is full as it was even a couple of weeks ago, I was refused the ability to directly admit my patient because there simply was no bed at the time. I was forced to send them to the emergency department as a holding area until a bed opened up hours later. This is extremely costly and inefficient for everyone involved especially the patient and family. This never used to happen in the summer.

I am really concerned about what will happen in the next couple of winters because even assuming the proposal is accepted, the expansion will not be completed anytime soon.

Many of my patients are well known to the specialists at Children's Hospital so if they must be diverted to other hospitals, they will receive care from physicians who though competent and skilled do not know them well and this has the potential to introduce medical errors. This is another reason why the inpatient facility must remain intact with all critical care and specialty care centralized.

I believe that Children's Hospital has done a lot and continues to expand its efforts to provide outpatient specialty support in the outlying communities. This has helped to provide convenient care for my patients in their own communities and has decompressed a lot of patient traffic to the main campus.

Since I do also live in the neighborhood, I was surprised and a bit concerned with the initial proposals from Children's on their expansion with the high towers and traffic routing though I thought it could work. However, the newest proposal which incorporates the current Laurelon Terrace property is elegant and functional from many perspectives. It allows additional easy traffic access via Sand Point Way and the elevation of the expansion property is much lower than the current campus location so it seems the buildings will not impact views or sightlines. Best of all, it leaves the existing hospital intact during construction which is a huge bonus as providing care in a construction environment is very challenging.

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The need for the expansion cannot be credibly questioned. The main issue before us is the "how". I believe that the Alternative 7 proposal is by far the best one for both the community and Children's Hospital as well. It will provide for the medical needs of children in our region and minimize impact to the local community.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Neil Kaneshiro, MD
President, Washington Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
6678 NE Windermere Rd
Seattle, WA 98115

<<<"Renee Kaplan" <kaplan.renee@gmail.com> 7/10/2008 12:02 PM
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Dear Scott,

I am a residence of Windermere and have been following the expansion plans of Seattle Children's Hospital - which I know will significantly affect traffic and construction in our residential area.

I am writing this letter in support of their expansion and hope the city approves their proposal. It is simply in the best interest of Seattle and the many children and families who rely on Children's Hospital for outstanding medical care.

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like further information. Thank you.

Best Regards,
Renee

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Dear Mr. Ringold:

I am writing to participate in the public comment period for the Children's Master Plan. I am an advocate for Seattle Children's Hospital.

I own my own business in Seattle. I own my home in Seattle and I am very active in the community. As such, I strongly urge you to support Alternative 7 of the Children's Master Plan. I have never considered myself an "activist" of any kind. But after hearing about the few people that have been able to potentially sabotage such an important development, I felt compelled to voice my opinion.

I was shocked to hear how long and involved the public process has already been. And am horribly disappointed that a few vocal, well-connected neighbors in the affluent Laurelhurst neighborhood have the ability to manipulate the system. Shame on us and our process -- that allows "the few" to prevent an institution with such an incredible mission and track record from opening/expanding it's doors:

- For several weeks this winter, Children's was already at full capacity.
- For over 100 years, Children's has continued to serve all children -- regardless of their ability to pay.
- Children's serves kids with the most difficult cases, drawing from a five-state area and internationally.
- It is ranked as one of the world's best pediatric care centers.

These "few" have so obviously been using embarrassingly obvious stall tactics. Stall tactics that have forced Children's to go above and beyond to address their concerns, at a great expense. An expense that could have been spent healing sick children and developing the cures to eradicate disease.

How grossly wrong is a person/system that doesn't prioritize a child's life over a couple extra cars on the road?

I couldn't be more disappointed that an imperative -- such as Alternative 7 -- that is clearly responsible, environmentally sustainable, thoughtfully considered, and absolutely vital to our community, would be subjected to a process that allows "wallets & connections" to hinder Children's Hospital from expanding their world-class organization.

To me, this isn't a matter of neighborhood zoning. Shame on us for reducing it to that level. This is a much bigger issue. One of healthcare and social justice.

I urge you and anyone opposing Alternative 7 to go "walk the halls" of Children's Hospital. Look at faces of the children. The parents. The families. The friends. They are not faces that leave you. They are burned into your memory. Right next to the prayer that you never have the misfortune of becoming one of those faces.

Please support Alternative 7, and Seattle Children's Hospital.

Thank you,
Erin Keaty

>>> "Julie Kemp" <Julie.Kemp@chpw.org> 7/7/2008 8:51 AM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the Children's Hospital Expansion that will utilize the Laurelon Terrace property.

It is the best solution. Children's needs to be able to meet the healthcare needs of our children now and in the future. But the community needs an expansion proposal that protects us from undue traffic, construction and towering buildings.

The Laurelon Terrace property allows the hospital to address those concerns. As I understand it the new buildings would be no higher than the current hospital, the entrances would be kept on the west side of the campus and out of the neighborhoods and the traffic and construction would be on the west side as well.

I urge you and the City Council to approve this plan.

Sincerely,
Julie Kemp

Mr. Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
PO Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

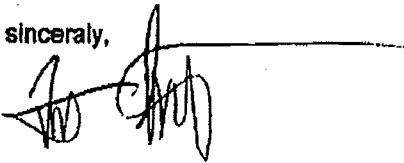
Dear Mr. Ringgold

I am a 12 year old child and I live near the childrens hospital. I ride my bike through the neighborhood and my work is house cleaning, mowing lawns, and washing cars. I live at 2904 229th pl ne sammamish washington.

I am a patient of childrens and absolutely support this. they have help me so much with everything. I have herd of it everywhere. I think they need to expan because it is alwas full of children in need and somtimes they have to wait so this expansion will help big time.

I compleatly value childrens. It helps so much.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Quin Kendall', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Quin Kendall

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July 23, 2008

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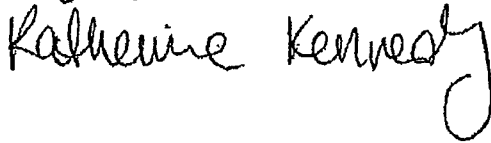
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. Children's Hospital is already over capacity and the demand for their services continues to grow. I volunteer at Children's Hospital and have seen first hand the importance of the work they do.

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I urge you to support Alternative 7.

With regards,



Katherine Kennedy
528 NE 94th St
Seattle, WA 98115

Kathy Kerzie
12323 NE 68th Place
Kirkland, WA. 98033

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
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Seattle, WA. 98124-4019

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft
Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing because I want you to know that my family and I whole heartedly support the growth of Children's Hospital.

I have a long history with Children's. When my daughter was young she was a patient at Children's. I knew there was not a better place for her to be with her condition. I also knew that she would and did receive the best quality pediatric care possible. After our experience I became an active guild member in support of Children's. That was over 30 years ago. I also became a trustee and spent ten years on the Board of Trustees for the Guild Association. In addition, I have logged in over 2,000 hours as an on-site volunteer.

In my role as a volunteer I've seen first hand the extreme need for Children's growth. On any given day as I walk the halls of the hospital I see tired families waiting for a bed to become available because there just aren't enough beds – let alone single patient rooms – for all the children that need them. These children and their families deserve better; we owe it to them to ensure that Children's will have a bed available for any child who needs it.

It is truly a gift to our entire city/community to have this world class hospital in our very own community. Every year Children's provides millions of dollars in uncompensated care to children who need it; but today because the hospital is at full capacity, it faces the risk of not being able to treat some of these patients who need Children's the most; not for lack of funds but for lack of space.

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Alternative 7, the option of expanding onto the neighboring Laurelon Terrace Development is a win for the hospital and the community, but most importantly, the children. I urge you to support this alternative as it is the best expansion plan to meet the needs of Children's Hospital and the desires of the community.

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I strongly urge you to approve Seattle Children's Hospital's draft of its Major Institution Plan and Environmental Impact Statement. Children's Hospital has worked hard to develop a plan that is in the best interest of everyone involved, a most difficult task, and now it is our job to stand behind the hospital and allow it to continue serving our children as one of the top pediatric hospitals in the world.

Sincerely,

Kathy Kerzie

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nichols
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional
Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

>>> "Colin Kimball" <colinkimball@juno.com> 7/9/2008 8:17 PM >>>

Dropping a note say that my family and I support the 1.5 million square foot expansion under Alternative 7.

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Our daughter was brought to Children's as an infant and the care we received at Children's was fantastic.

Colin Kimball

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Scott Ringgold,

I'm a graduate student, pursuing a degree in Clinical Psychology at Seattle Pacific University. I'm writing in support of Alternative 7. Children's Hospital is a vital piece of the Seattle community and is doing great work. I haven't personally worked at the hospital, but a number of my close friends and coworkers have worked at the hospital, and have shared stories of the relationships they've built with sick and dying children over the years. In addition to promoting the mission of Children's Hospital, it sounds like Alternative 7 reduces traffic in residential areas, which I'm sure will be embraced by the greater Seattle community. I'm hoping this measure is a success!

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Thank you for your time,

David R. King, Graduate Student, Clinical Psychology

David R. King
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Seattle, WA 98117

kingd@spu.edu

June 24, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
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Rachel Kingsbury
522 110th Ave SE
Bellevue, WA 98004
imsuperthanksforasking@hotmail.com

Dear Scott Ringgold,

My name is Rachel Kingsbury, I have been living in the Seattle area for over 10 years. I've not only lived in the area, I've worked in area in many different locations, and many different hospitals as a Phelebotomist. I drive through the area frequently and have grown very fond of it. It is home to myself, and my family.

I've known many employees and patients at Children's Hospital who have become good friends over the years and are very close to me. I've always supported Children's Hospital in every way. I think it is a great thing for the community and it has always been a place of comfort and healing for both the patients I know who have recovered there, and the employees who have worked there and loved every minute of it.

I completely support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. It's important to the Seatte Community and our children; who are our future!

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Rachel Kingsbury

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rachel Kingsbury / MQ". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the last name "Kingsbury" being the most prominent part.

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>>> Charlie Kirkwood <charlie@allpacificsales.com> 7/9/2008 12:39 PM >>>

Mr. Ringgold,

My name is Charlie Kirkwood and I write this letter in support of Alternative 7 for the Children's Hospital Expansion Project. I grew up in Laurelhurst and ironically spent a long weekend at Children's in a brief coma as a toddler. I have always enjoyed knowing that the hospital is close at hand especially now that I have my own kids. Aside from the hospital itself, I have strolled through the property over the years and have enjoyed the park-like grounds and how quietly such a large facility blends into the neighborhood.

I understand that Children's must expand. When informed of this, my first thoughts were of trying to visually determine what a tall tower might look like. That thought did not strike my mind as a positive change for the area. In seeing Alternative 7 and imagining the 45th street side of the property, I can see how the planners have taken steps to insure the same park-like feel as we see it today. Possibly even improving it. There is no doubt that the proper care in landscaping can soften the edges and size of nearly any building. If this care is taken, I would strongly support and have confidence in Alt 7.

Creating a main entrance below, off of Sandpoint Way makes even more sense. It would seem to me that the surrounding neighborhoods would only benefit from the placement of such an entrance. I would think that the construction process would be done fairly discreetly by using this entrance as well.

If I am reading the diagram correctly, it appears that my fears of a tower have been solved by a longer lower structure that is as low as the existing site lines, so as not to impair the neighborhood views. The use of the Laurelon Terrace Condominiums property appears to be the perfect missing piece to the expansion puzzle. It is the piece that allows the building to remain relatively low while screened almost entirely by taller trees and shrubs. To be fair, I would like to suggest the use of larger mature trees at the time of planting to instantly soften the visuals of a new building, as opposed to younger trees taking 5-10 years to mature. These should be both evergreen and deciduous varieties.

Please feel free to contact me with regards to this letter and my feelings about the local community and the importance of this hospital to all of us. Also to perhaps discuss further why this specific Alternative seems to be a very good fit for the neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Charlie

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Jan C. Kirkwood
4680 41st N.E.
Seattle, WA 98105

June 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Re: In Support of CHRMC Master Plan Alternative 7--Expansion onto the Laurelon Site

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I grew up in Laurelhurst, attended Roosevelt High School and the University of Washington, and own a unit at Laurelon Terrace. My family bought that unit in 1979 for my grandmother. Since then, my sister, me and my daughter have lived there. In addition, I was a candy striper at Children's Hospital in the 1960s, I was a patient at the hospital, and my daughter was treated at the hospital.

I learned of the hospital's need to expand during my service on the hospital's former Standing Advisory Committee for its now completed Master Plan. I have been involved in early community input sessions regarding the expansion and have consulted with the hospital's professionals on what I perceive to be the goals of the community in maintaining its relationship with the hospital.

I support the expansion of the hospital onto Laurelon under the terms of the memorandum of understanding between the hospital and Laurelon because it gives the hospital and the neighborhood a chance to address a number of issues impacting Seattle and NE Seattle in particular. The Northeast Seattle neighborhoods are impacted by traffic from the University of Washington, University Village, and the hospital. The hospital's expansion at a time proximate to the University Village expansion presents a unique opportunity to improve shared transportation options for these neighborhoods with these destinations. Also, the height and bulk issues presented by the expansion plan will be ameliorated by the hospital's expansion onto the low-lying Laurelon property.

Thank you.


Jan C. Kirkwood

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>>> "Inti Knapp" <knapps@gmail.com> 7/21/2008 9:08 AM >>>

We strongly support the plans for Children's Hospital expansion. My 11 month old son received urological surgery last week at Children's — the experience went as well as we could have hoped, because of the excellent staff. However, it was clear that there was limited space in the operating and recovery area.

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The hospital is out of room, and needs more space to continue to successfully serve the Pacific Northwest's children.

Inti Knapp

July 24, 2008

**Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning & Development
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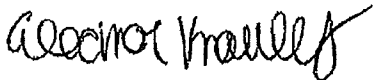
Dear Scott Ringgold:

Please support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I realize that Alternative 7 has been designed after much hard work by the city and the hospital to find a solution that works well for everyone. This is it!

Alternative 7 responds to the concerns of neighbors about traffic congestion and hospital traffic on residential streets. It also responds to comments from neighbors that tall industrial buildings are not appropriate in a residential neighborhood.

Thanks again for working so hard on this project, and please support alternative 7.

Sincerely,



**Ellie Knowles
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Seattle, WA 98105**

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Richard Kobayashi
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Seattle, WA 98119

June 21, 2008

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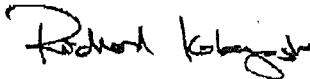
Dear Mr. Ringgold:

As a resident of the Northeast Seattle area, I support the expansion of Children's Hospital. I am currently a doctoral student and colleagues of mine are conducting valuable pediatric research at Children's Hospital. I admire their efforts to improve the quality of life for children.

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I have learned about the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan through conversations with friends and colleagues. I strongly support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. I believe it is in the best interest of Seattle residents.

Sincerely,



>>> Colleen Kocer <kocer@bc.edu> 7/9/2008 9:04 AM >>>

Hello!

As a Laurelhurst/Sand Point community member, I just wanted to write in support of the Children's Hospital extension plan into Laurelon Terrace. Children's Hospital has always been an enormous contributor to our community—it's mission and accomplishments are most certainly a source of pride for the neighborhood. Any efforts to expand and foster Children's ability to contribute to the community outside of ourselves is welcomed in my opinion!

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Thank you for your time,
Colleen

"Julia Kocheleva" <juliab@spu.edu>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. As a graduate student, I am proud of the research institutions that are such a big part of the Seattle community.

Children come from all over the world to be treated and healed by the miracle workers that comprise Children's Hospital. Please allow this tried and true institution to continue working its magic. 1

The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan is not only the best expansion solution for the hospital, but it also takes into consideration the concerns of the neighbors by minimizing traffic and lowering buildings.

Sincerely,
Julia Kocheleva

July 23, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Scott Ringgold,

I support Children's Hospital, and I am glad to know that Children's Hospital can continue to thrive in my neighborhood according to the Alternative 7 plan. The character of Northeast Seattle is a cherished part of my family's home, and the design of Alternative 7 respects that unique, park-like nature of my neighborhood.

I have been a strong supporter of Children's Hospital for many years, and I realize the importance of the work they do. I understand that some neighbors are concerned about the traffic impacts of an expansion project, but I can think of no better reason for a minor inconvenience such as traffic. The perils of pediatric medicine do not equate with the nuisance of traffic.

I completely support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. It is important for the Seattle Community to invest in the future for our children.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Koning', with a large, sweeping flourish above it.

Marloes Koning
823B NW 53rd Street
Seattle, WA 98107

>>> "Amy Kosterlitz" <akosterlitz@GordonDerr.com> 7/10/2008 7:09 AM >>>

Scott,

I am writing in support of Children's Hospital expansion and Alternative 7-using Laurelon Terrace as the hospital expansion site. I have been doing some work for Children's related to historic preservation issues but also wanted to also comment on the expansion generally. As you are no doubt aware, Children's needs to expand to add more patient beds and more room for pediatric research. Those of us with kids are very thankful that we have a world class hospital like Children's when our kids have faced health problems, and we want to be sure that adequate facilities are there to support all children's needs. The Laurelon Terrace expansion alternative is a "win-win" for the Laurelhurst community and Children's hospital because it allows the hospital to expand, but in a way that won't block neighborhood views or create as much traffic on residential streets as the other proposals. I want to thank you and the Citizens Advisory Committee for your great work in developing Alternative 7 and am hopeful that this alternative will receive the City's support.

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Thanks for your consideration.

Amy

>>> "Margot" <mkrav@comcast.net> 7/8/2008 6:58 PM >>>

I am writing to you to express my strong support of the recent expansion plan that Children's Hospital has proposed. My support relates more to the need for expansion than to the plan itself. Children's is very fortunate to have the opportunity to expand horizontally, reducing its need to expand vertically and impact the view of the Laurelhurst residents. However, the need for more beds and services to serve the children and families in our region is the priority. Over the last several decades, pediatric medicine has reached a point at which children with chronic diseases are living longer, but continue to need care for a longer time. Many chronic illnesses require a broad spectrum of diagnostic and treatment modalities in addition to inpatient and ambulatory care.

The physicians, nurses and other staff provide the highest quality of care in this region - and on the west side of the country for that matter. According to US News and World Report, Seattle Children's is #8 in pediatric hospitals in the country - if Children's doesn't have the capacity to care for the children of our region the children will be forced to obtain their care either at hospitals that are not accustomed to caring for children, or will have to travel farther from home in order to receive care that even comes close to the quality they would receive at Seattle Children's.

Community pediatricians trust Children's Hospital - it is the pediatric health care organization of choice for the majority of pediatricians and family practice physicians in the Puget Sound region. Why would these physicians send their patients to their second choice hospital - Children's should not have to turn any child away because they don't have the capacity to care for them.

Children's is expanding and developing ambulatory facilities closer to families' homes - throughout the Puget Sound area, in Alaska and Montana, and now in Richland, WA. They do their best to make obtaining care as easy as possible. But there are many treatments and services that cannot be provided outside of the hospital for cost, safety or quality reasons.

With Alternative 7, Children's has responded to the concerns of the community related to transportation, access to the hospital and traffic. The hospital already has the highest percentage of single occupancy vehicles among its employee group. It is spending millions of dollars to minimize the impact of its growth on the surrounding community.

Our community has supported this hospital for 101 years - providing funding so the hospital can care for children in our region regardless of the family's ability to pay. The hospital does not turn away patients that cannot afford care. The hospital has a Guild organization with over 7000 members from throughout the region; and Foundation that provides opportunities for local corporations and foundations to support this hospital so it can provide the best care, have the best facilities and do the best research. Why would the community turn away these children now?

I ask the city of Seattle to support Alternative 7 for the growth of Children's Hospital, so the hospital can continue caring for the children and families of this region.

Margot Kravette
6522 27th Avenue NE
Seattle 98115

<<< "Katherine Krueger" <krueger.katherine@gmail.com> >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing you because I support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I have deep connections to Children's Hospital. Over that past four years, I have had several friends admitted to Children's, one suffering from Leukemia and the other from Thyroid Cancer. Both, thanks to Children's Hospital, have survived and are now in remission. In addition, one of the rehabilitation physical therapists, Amanda Koppes, has deeply impacted my life, displaying daily the hope involved with the work at Children's.

Every day, Children's helps to support, challenge and heal children from all areas of the world.

As an 18 year resident of the Seattle area, I know that Children's is deeply ingrained in the community of this city. The hospital is known throughout the country as an example of quality care and groundbreaking research and methods. It is an honor to have Children's in our community.

I appreciate that the City of Seattle and Children's Hospital have worked so hard to accommodate the concerns of the neighbors in designing an expansion plan. Alternative 7 eliminates traffic, construction and view concerns by orienting the new buildings to the West – away from residential areas.

Thank you for your careful consideration of this community issue.

Sincerely,
Katherine Krueger
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Kirkland, WA 98034
Krueger.katherine@gmail.com

Sara Kruse
12009 NE 100th Place
Kirkland, WA 98033
July 3rd, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
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Attention Scott Ringgold:

I am a parent of 4 young children, 3 of which have used the services at Children's hospital for one reason or another. One of our daughters had major surgery when she was only 18 months, to repair a kidney abnormality, and our other daughter has chronic health concerns which have caused us to require many of the services Children's offers on a regular basis. Being a parent of a current patient, a friend to other families who need Children's specialized care, and a volunteer at the Ronald McDonald house nearby, I see firsthand how desperately the expansions at Children's are needed.

We frequent Children's hospital with my younger daughter, still in the process of finding a diagnosis to her health challenges, and have experienced firsthand many of the services the hospital has to offer. We have seen many of the specialists at clinics; we have visited the NICU and the regular inpatient floors. From experience I know that when a child is very ill it takes a team of skilled medical workers to offer comprehensive care to a child, including therapists, specialists, nursing staff and the most modern technology. This would be difficult to do if the facility wasn't at a centralized location.

Being inpatient with my daughters has helped me to see how an important adding single patient rooms to the hospital is. We have spent time at the hospital sharing a room with other families and also being alone, and I know firsthand that sharing rooms adds additional concerns and stresses to an already challenging time. The times we have been staying at the hospital, the reduced amount of privacy in shared rooms makes it difficult to express concerns or ask questions to the health professionals caring for your child, and it is much more difficult to rest. There is also the increased risk of other children or family members spreading infections and viruses to the patients.

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Many of the patients at Children's do not live locally. Having volunteered at the Ronald McDonald House nearby the hospital I have been amazed at how many families from outside our region are treated here at Children's of Seattle. Friends of ours recently moved here to Seattle so their child could receive a Bone Marrow Transplant. The reason they chose to come to Seattle is because their daughter's chance for survival is greater here than anywhere else. What a testament to children's excellent care and up to date treatments and therapy. The need for other families to receive that same care will grow and we need to be ready to accommodate them. With the increase in patients come the benefits of being able to use and apply the most current and ground breaking care. That is something we all want to support. I know I definitely am anxious to find a solution to my daughter health challenges, and desire to see her grow and thrive.

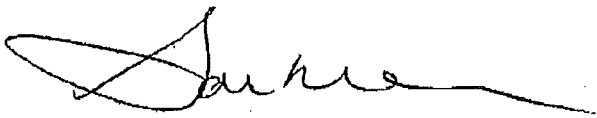
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Children's Hospital has given and is still giving our family hope and encouragement, and I am hopeful that other families will be able to find the same support and care our family has found. If a family is turned away for care because the hospital is too full and cannot accommodate, then the hospital will have failed to keep the promise of serving every child no matter what.

I very much understand the concerns the resident's nearby Children's may feel about the proposed expansion, being a home owner myself. But the need for Children's to expand is great. I feel that Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center has gone above and beyond to meet the concerns and needs of the people in the surrounding neighborhood.

It is important that we choose what will be best for the future of those in Seattle and beyond.

Sincerely,



Sara A. Kruse

Cc: Michael Jenkins

Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

>>> <Michael@kurtzmans.net> 7/9/2008 9:00 PM >>>

This letter is to unequivocally support the expansion of Children's Hospital in Seattle. It is absolutely necessary to continue in the ability to treat children in the region.

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Sincerely,

Michael Kurtzmans

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34017
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

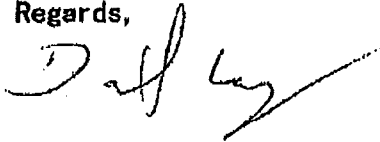
July 23, 2008

Dear Mr Ringgold:

As a Ravenna/Bryant resident I urge you to support Alternative 7. I realize that some of my neighbors are worried about increased traffic congestion in the area and the view imposition of the proposed new buildings. Though these are important issues that deserve careful consideration, I strongly feel that Alternative 7 offers a solution to the neighborhood threats posed by an expanded hospital.

Thank you for working with the community and the hospital to find a long-term solution to the shortage of space Children's Hospital currently faces.

Regards,



Daniel Lacey
2402 NE 65th St. #405
Seattle, WA 98115

CC: Mayor Greg Nickels; CAC

>>> "Jim Ladd" <Jim@Ladd.com> 6/18/2008 9:05 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringold:

I am writing in support of the expansion of Seattle Children's Hospital in Laurelhurst.

Children's is a vital asset to Seattle, the Puget Sound region, and the Pacific Northwest (keeping Seattle at the center). We are incredibly lucky to have this resource in our city, and would be foolish to force it to move.

Two of my children had critical care at Children's Hospital early in their lives, and I will be forever grateful.

Children's is now operating at its full capacity, and due to advances in medicine (many of them led by Children's research) the number of critically-ill children who need lifetime care is increasing dramatically, on top of the increases created by our population growth.

It is urgent that we allow Children's to expand at its current site. It's not economically feasible for them to move to a new location (and if they did, what would we do with the current site? Convert it to jail?). And operating from two facilities would dramatically reduce their effectiveness and efficiency, increasing the cost of health care, creating transportation problems, and reducing the quality of care. This hospital has to be in someone's backyard, and the current site is the only logical location.

Children's has done a tremendous job in raising the money to buy Laurelon Terrace so it can reduce the impact of expansion on the surrounding area. Please do not let the opportunity for this valuable resource to expand and increase its service to our city and region slip away.

Respectfully,
Jim Ladd

Anita Lammert
11301 Durland Place NE
Seattle, WA 98125

July 4, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I think there is a misunderstanding among community members about the expansion of Children's Hospital. People look at Children's Hospital as a behemoth organization with no concern about their impact on the neighborhood.

There should be a tsunami of support for the expansion of Children's Hospital, so why is there opposition? I believe misunderstandings are the only reasons there would not be support for the expansion. Children's Hospital has been so accomodating and considerate of their neighbors, and the majority of community members value Children's Hospital as an important pediatric healthcare service provider.

The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan was intentionally designed in response to the concerns of the neighbors. Please support this plan.

Sincerely,



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>>> "Charlotte Larson" <Charlotte.Larson@AlaskaAir.com> 7/1/2008
11:37 AM

To: Mr. Scott Ringgold
Ref: Alternate 7 of Children's Hospital Expansion

I am writing to express my support for the expansion of Children's Hospital that will utilize the Laurelon Terrace property. To me, it seems the most logical thing for the hospital to do.

While I know there is opposition to the expansion, there is also a huge and understandable need. How do we make it a win-win for the majority. Some people will never like it, but this plan solves most problems.

I lived at Laurelon Terrace for almost eighteen years and loved the neighborhood and my good neighbors. While not one of the very first, I did sell my unit to Children's Hospital in March 2008. I had been looking for a place to live nearer to my children and work which is in South Seattle.

Finding a home I liked and could afford and the opportunity to sell to Children's all happened at the same time. Should Children's expand to Laurelon and all that needs to be is approved, I would benefit hugely by the additional monies that I would receive. I'm about to retire and it would allow me to know that I should not have to struggle so much or find another job and work until I'm 75.

Sincerely,
Charlotte Larson

Please approve this plan

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>>> "Greg Lawless" <glawless@lawless2.com> 7/3/2008 3:14 PM >>>

Re: In Favor Children's Hospital Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing to let you know I am a co-owner of a Laurelon condominium and I am in favor of the expansion of Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 Plan.

We have reviewed the plan, and it appears to us it is a fair treatment of the owners of Laurelon. At the same time it allows Children's Hospital to expand and provide the exceptional services only they provide. I think everyone knows the excellent reputation Children's enjoys. We've experienced it first hand because our niece has muscular dystrophy and is a frequent visitor at Children's. A sick child is an inherently sad event, but knowing that child gets the best possible care, in a warm and welcoming environment is irreplaceable.

I view the proposed expansion of Children's and the fair treatment of the owners of Laurelon as a "both sides win" situation.

Your support for this project would be appreciated.

Greg Lawless
Attorney at Law

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>>> "Janine Lawless" <jlawless@lawless2.com> 7/10/2008 5:14 PM >>>

Re: In Favor Children's Hospital Expansion

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am in favor of the expansion of Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 Plan for four major reasons.

1. As a co-owner of a Laurelon condominium, this plan treats owners fairly.
2. As an estate planning attorney I have heard many positive stories about Children's Hospital. Clients' often want to include Children's Hospital in their charitable giving. Children's Hospital is very dear to the hearts of many families in Seattle.
3. As a resident of Seattle, I care about the character of our city and about my friends who live in the Laurelhurst neighborhood. I am impressed how this plan takes such care in protecting the community through building height, access, green spaces and transportation alternatives.
4. Children's Hospital has been a big help to my disabled niece who lives in a small town in Washington. I would hate to have her turned away because Children's Hospital is too crowded.

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Please approve this plan.

Sincerely,
Janine Lawless
Attorney at Law
6018 Seaview Ave NW
Seattle, WA 98107

>>> Shannon Lawless <shannon_212@yahoo.com> 7/7/2008 10:39 PM
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Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am a homeowner at Laurelon Terrace writing to express my support for Alternative 7. I support this plan for two reasons.

First, as a student and joint homeowner, the buyout by Children's represents an invaluable opportunity to achieve financial stability. Many other Laurelon homeowners who are young and starting families are excited about this opportunity.

Second, as a Seattle native, I am thrilled to see a plan that will allow Children's, an institution we should be proud of, to expand without compromising the character of the Laurelhurst and Sandpoint neighborhoods. Alternative 7 allows building heights to stay the same and provides a viable transportation plan, enabling Seattle to serve the needs of both patients and neighbors of Children's Hospital.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Shannon Lawless
4608 41st Ave. NE
Seattle, WA 98105

David Lawson
11625 4th Ave S
Seattle, WA 98168

July 4, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing you to tell you of my support for the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I was born at Fort Lewis in Tacoma, but I have lived in the Seattle area for over 30 years. I have seen Children's Hospital save many lives. Years ago, Children's Hospital saved the life of a neighbor child in Redmond.

The expansion of Children's Hospital is critical so that they can continue to do the great work they have been doing for decades. Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



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>>> "Jeff Layton" <jeff@layton-sell.com> 7/10/2008 3:40 PM >>>

Scott,

As you know, Children's Hospital is a vital asset to our community and having had family members and friends of our family use this wonderful facility, I endorse the hospital's efforts to expand. In that regard, I've had a chance to review the EIS for the expansion project. Of the various alternatives discussed in the EIS, I support the full 1,500,000 square feet expansion as proposed under Alternative 7. 1

Jeff Layton
Redmond, WA

Jeffrey A. Layton, P.E.
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Ben Z. Lazarus
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Apartment 324
Seattle, WA 98115

July 8, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital because I feel the hospital is a valuable asset to this community. The renovation will provide valuable future care for the children in our community.

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I look forward to your favorable action of the Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Ben Z. Lazarus

July 23rd, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

As a resident of the Northeast Seattle area, I support the expansion of Children's Hospital. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan offers the best solution for the hospital and the community. I appreciate the hospital's efforts to improve the traffic congestion in the area with a new transit hub. I was also glad to learn that the new buildings will not exceed the current elevation heights of the existing hospital.

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I have learned about the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan through conversations with friends and colleagues, and have been following the project's progress closely in the news. I strongly support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. It is in the best interest of Seattle residents.

Sincerely,



Erin Leahy
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Seattle, WA 98115

Anne M. Leavitt, MD
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Seattle, WA 98105
206-523-7289

July 22, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

My husband and I have lived in Laurelhurst for over 17 years, and we enthusiastically support the planned expansion of Children's Hospital. When we bought our house, just a few blocks from the hospital, we had three small children and we viewed the proximity of Children's Hospital as a valuable asset to our neighborhood, not as a problem. In our years here, we have never been inconvenienced by the hospital. I am troubled and mystified by the opposition of the Laurelhurst Community Club, and it is important for you to realize that the Community Club does NOT represent the entire neighborhood, only an activist subset.

Our support for the hospital became very personal last year when our then 16-year-old daughter was treated there for cancer. Her care, from start to finish, was a blessing. In one day, she went from an abnormal X-Ray taken at her pediatrician's office at 9 AM, to a chest CT scan at Children's at 11AM, to an appointment in the Oncology Clinic at 2PM, where her Hodgkin's Lymphoma was diagnosed by the oncologist directing the current national treatment protocol. How could we ever have a better neighbor? We were able to walk to her clinic appointments, as well as walk between our home and the hospital during her admissions. Everyone who took care of her, from start to finish, was kind, skillful and supportive.

In hearing some of the stories of the other families on the Oncology Unit, and the many months some of them spent far from home, we felt grateful and lucky to have this facility so close to home. I'm glad that these families at least are in pleasant surroundings, with the support of Ronald McDonald House nearby.

The hospital planners have done an excellent job of keeping the Laurelhurst neighbors informed about plans, and have listened to our input. That conversation has resulted in significant improvements in the plans. Alternative 7, with the use of the Laurelhurst Terrace property, makes a lot of sense both for the hospital and for the community.

Last, I am a pediatrician. Although I do not work at Children's Hospital (I work at the Center on Human Development and Disability at the UW Medical Center), I know how important it is to have a centralized facility with multiple specialties on-site to care for complicated patients. I also know that, at least for oncology, proximity to the UW Medical Center is important for radiation therapy.

Children's Hospital is a regional treasure that has saved many lives, and offered support for many families. It deserves our support in return.

Sincerely,

Anne Leavitt

Anne M. Leavitt, MD

Cc: Michael Jenkins

Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels

Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

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Would you like to be on the mailing list? Yes ☒ No

Name Anne Leavitt

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City Seattle State WA Zip 98105

E-mail anne.leavitt@comcast.net

How does the project affect you? Did the EIS analysis cover the potential impacts? What are some potential measures that could be added to or changed in the Master Plan that would diminish the project's environmental effects? Thank you for offering your comments.

Comments:

I have lived in Laurelhurst, just blocks from the hospital, for 17 years. When my husband and I bought our home, with our 3 children, we viewed the proximity of the hospital as a wonderful asset, not as a problem. I have seen no negative impact of the hospital on the neighborhood.

The Laurelhurst Comm Club does NOT represent the neighborhood, it represents the activists who oppose the hospital.

My support for Children moved from theoretical to personal when my daughter was treated for cancer there. In 2007 we were able to walk to the hospital for her appointments and admissions. Having a world-class hospital at the edge of the neighborhood is an asset. The neighborhood certainly has the right to comment on expansion plans, and the hospital planners have been responsive and are obviously making significant efforts to mitigate the impact of expansion on the neighborhood.

I am a Laurelhurst neighbor who STRONGLY supports Children's Hospital expansion

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**Marie Lee
Felipa's Consignment Boutique
3236 NE 45th St
Seattle, WA 98105**

July 22, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Land Use Planner
P O Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124

Dear Mr Ringgold:

I am a business owner of a consignment boutique on Sand Point Way near Children's Hospital. I support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. I especially appreciate that the plan includes a new transit hub that will allow more people to travel to and from the area without causing more traffic.

Thank you for working with the community to find an expansion plan that meets our needs. Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Marie Lee

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>>> "Susie Lee" <susielee11@gmail.com> 7/10/2008 1:15 PM >>>

Dear Scott,

I have been informed of the Children's Hospital expansion through the Buck Law Group, and I would like to also voice my email support for this as proposed under Alternative 7. I hope you will seriously consider this plan tonight, and to help improve this city's commitment to its citizens one step at a time.

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Sincerely,

Susie Lee

1004 NW 127th St / Seattle 98177

>>> Samuel Li <samli388@yahoo.com> 7/9/2008 3:27 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I am writing you to voice my support to the Alternative 7 for the expansion of the Children's Hospital.

Under the Alternative 7, the Children's Hospital will achieve the goal of huge expansion without new taller towers which would change the current harmonized landscapes in the area. Besides, the existing hospital's operation will be less disturbed and the traffic effect on the residential area would be minimized during the hospital expansion.

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I'd like to thank the Citizens Advisory Committee and the DPD staffs for developing such a great alternative.

Regards,
Samuel Li
3608 175TH CT NE
Redmond, WA 98052

>>> "Linda K. Lightfoot" <llightfoot@GordonDerr.com> 7/9/2008 2:07 PM
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

This email is to let you know that I fully support the 1,500,000 square feet of the Children's Hospital expansion as proposed under Alternative 7. Children's Hospital definitely needs to expand to add more patient beds and more room for pediatric research.

The Alternative 7 is the best plan because:

1. The proposed space would meet the demands of the hospital for many years to come.
2. The existing hospital would be left undisturbed during construction.
3. Traffic on residential streets would be minimized.
4. Views of neighbors would not be blocked by oversized buildings.

Linda Lightfoot

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>>> "Patricia Lines" <patlilines@msn.com> 7/5/2008 7:34 PM >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I understand your department is reviewing plans to expand the campus of Children's Hospital. I am a long-time resident of Seattle, with many friends in northeast Seattle. I drive by Children's Hospital frequently. I find it presents a friendly, comfortable looking façade that makes the drive please and neighborly. It is a neighborhood that I am considering if and when the time comes to leave my home for 35 years, on Capitol Hill, and turn to condo-dwelling.

More importantly, I deeply respect the mission of Children's Hospital. In addition to providing outstanding care to children from premature birth to age 21, Children's brings credit to our area. It is among the top-rated pediatric hospitals in the nation, and a comfort to anyone who has children or grandchildren in the area. You never know when you will need a top pediatric team. Given our expanding population, and the growing number of health issues facing many children, everyone should unite to help this fine institution expand to meet the needs of those it serves.

I support the current expansion plan for these reasons. I also believe the institution has been sensitive to the immediate concerns of the neighborhood.

Yours,
Patricia M. Lines
1547 17th Avenue East
Seattle WA 98112

>>> Alison L <alioop490@hotmail.com> 7/3/2008 1:20 PM >>>

Dear Scott:

I am writing this e-mail in support of Alternative 7, Seattle Children's Hospital's plans to expand their facilities.

Children's is an amazing asset to our community - a community whose population continues to grow. With that, the number of children's served by the hospital also continues to grow and right now the facility is near maximum capacity - and summer is typically the "slow" season.

I believe Children's expansion plans are both reasonable and responsible, and as a hospital employee I know how much emphasis is placed on being a good neighbor to the Laurelhurst community, minimizing the impact of traffic by helping employees find alternative modes of commuting, building "green," and coming up with plans that are as minimally intrusive to the surrounding area as possible.

I, for one, do not EVER want to have to look a patient or family in the eye and tell them "sorry, there's no room for you at the hospital."

I am in full support of Alternative 7, development of the area where the Laurelon condominiums are now situated.

Sincerely,
Alison Link

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Laurie Lippold
4030 NE 88th St
Seattle, WA 98115
206-523-7049
July 3, 2008

Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:


Over 100 years ago, Anna Clise and 23 of her friends established the first facility in the Pacific Northwest to treat all children – regardless of their family's ability to pay. Now, that vision is being challenged because Children's Hospital has run out of room. I am writing today to express my support for Seattle Children's Hospital and its plans for the growth it desperately needs to continue serving Anna Clise's vision.

I feel extremely fortunate to not only live in a city with such an amazing children's hospital, but to live so close by it. On more than one occasion my family has made trips to the hospital due to weekend or evening injuries and was grateful for the care we received. Additionally, we spent many days over the course of a year at the hospital with close friends whose daughter had been diagnosed with cancer. The blessing in that experience was the care provided by Children's Hospital. It is hard to imagine what it must be like for families who do not have access to the expertise and nurturing environment provided by the incredible staff at Children's.

Seattle Children's Hospital must grow, and Alternative 7 is the best option for this expansion. I am impressed by the exhaustive research that went into this planning process, as well as the cooperation between the hospital and the Citizen's Advisory Committee. Alternative 7, as a result, reflects what is best for the hospital and most beneficial for the community.

Seattle Children's Hospital provides highly specialized pediatric care and is a critical resource for our city, state and region. Expansion is necessary to ensure that all children who need future care have access to Children's world class services. The hospital adds to what makes our city great and is certainly not something that detracts from the community. The care of children is the top priority; therefore we must continue to put the children first, meaning the hospital must expand.

Sincerely,


Laurie Lippold

Cc: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

>>> "summer lockett" <summerlockett@gmail.com> 7/1/2008 9:53 AM
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Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing you to tell you of my support for the Children's Hospital Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. A friend of mine recently brought to my attention the need for community members to speak up in support of the hospital as a valuable member of our neighborhood. As a professional in the research industry, I emphatically support the pediatric treatment and research that Children's Hospital is currently providing, and think that this expansion is essential to further develop the life-saving research that has given Children's its amazing name.

I moved to Seattle 4 years ago and as I get married next summer and start a family it is increasingly important to me to have a world-class facility like Children's Hospital nearby. However to maintain its role in our community it is essential that it have the space and facilities to carry out such research. I work at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center, and as I

come to work in the morning I drive by 5 year-old children on their way into the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance for chemotherapy treatments. Every morning it is a reminder that my job, my purpose, is to work my absolute hardest in finding new therapies for these children. I want to be sure that the medical professionals at Children's Hospital are afforded every chance to develop our research and theirs to improve the next 5 year-old's treatment.

In addition, Children's Hospital has worked diligently to ensure that their expansion meets the needs of the community while minimizing the negative impacts of construction on neighbors. I am impressed with Children's Hospital's efforts to decrease traffic in the area and promote mass transit for their staff and patients. Children's Hospital has taken a long-term approach in designing a plan that meets immediate, as well as future needs.

Thank you,
Ms. Summer Lockett
6203 1st Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98115

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34017
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

July 23, 2008

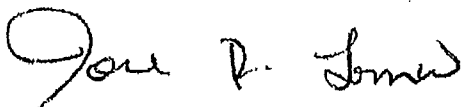
Dear Mr Ringgold:

I work in the Ravenna Bryant neighborhood at the Ravenna Varsity Restaurant on NE 65th Street, and I support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital.

Patients and staff of the hospital are often visit our restaurant because we provide gift certificates for residents of the Ronald McDonald House. After they visit once, they often come back again. Children's Hospital is an important component of this area's economic strength. Their community presence in Northeast Seattle is vital to our business.

That is why I support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Jose Lomas
206 N. 87 St.
Seattle, WA 98103

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David Lorse
4710 17th Ave NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Scott Ringgold, Land Use Planner II
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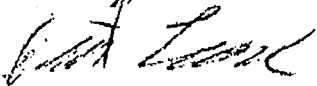
July 6, 2008

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I urge you to support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan. This plan allows the hospital to build enough space to meet the medical needs of the community for the next 20 years. I am also glad that this plan includes a new transit hub to reduce the traffic congestion in the area. The community needs an expanded Children's Hospital with more hospital beds for patients and more research for the larger pediatric community. Please support this plan.

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Sincerely,



Fayne McCaffray Lowe
1630 43rd Ave E #907
Seattle, WA 98112

July 8, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

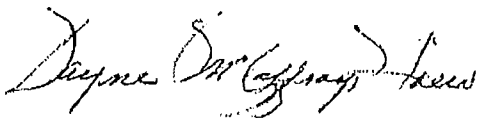
I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital because I feel the hospital is a valuable asset to this community. I lived in Laurelhurst for twenty years, and raised five children in Windermere. I was a Windermere resident for almost forty years.

I have so much respect for Children's Hospital because they do amazing work and have done such a fantastic job thus far at appeasing the neighbors. The existing hospital blends beautifully with the landscape of the neighborhood. The hospital maintains a subtle but powerful presence in Northeast Seattle.

The Laurelon Terrace residents are in support of Alternative 7 because it is giving them financial options that they did not expect to realize when they purchased their Laurelon Terrace condominium units.

Please support Alternative 7.

Sincerely,



Fayne McCaffray Lowe

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Heidi Luedtke
10305 Chapel Hill Blvd. #A2005
Pasco, WA 99301
509-308-5372
June 25, 2008
Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact
Statement

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Attention Scott Ringgold:

I am writing this letter to show my support for Alternative 7-Early Laurelon Development. Children's Hospital is a place very familiar to me. It was my "home" for nearly 3 years after my son was diagnosed with cancer in 2004. After staying at the nearby Ronald McDonald house for the first 6 months we made the decision to move. The community surrounding Children's then became our new home as well.

Spending many nights on the oncology floor, my son and I witnessed the need for expansion. On many occasions very ill children were forced to share rooms with one or sometimes two other children. Having an immunosuppressed child, this presented a lot of concern. Children's staff always did their best to fit each child's individual needs, but could only do so much.

Privacy was another large issue we ran into with this. Many Children were long term patients. There were times that we were admitted for many weeks on end. It is tough enough on the children to be "confined" for this long, especially when they are in "isolation" for an infectious disease. Having to keep them within the walls of such a small space added more stress to the situation.

I have been a neighbor of the hospital as well as a parent of a patient. I know the importance of preserving the parks and residential feel of this community is great. The community surrounding the hospital is where we spent our time outside of the hospital. It is also where I have some of my last great memories of life with my son, walking to the parks and having adventures down the bike trails. I would not be in support of this plan if I felt that it would at all jeopardize or harm the community.

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Expansion of Children's Hospital would be a great asset to the community, as well as allow the Physicians to reach and treat more Children. It will also improve the quality of life for those children being treated long term at Children's.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Heidi A. Luedtke", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Heidi Luedtke

Cc:

Michael Jenkins

Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels

Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional
Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

July 7, 2008

John Lysette
4678 41st Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98105

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34017
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

cc: Mayor Greg Nickels; Citizens Advisory Committee

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

As an owner-occupant of the Laurelon Terrace Condominiums for over 25 years, I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion option of Children's Hospital. For many years, I was an assistant manager of the condominium units. Children's Hospital has worked with the owners of Laurelon Terrace to design a plan that is amenable to everyone who values the Northeast Seattle neighborhood. The new buildings will not be any taller than the existing buildings, and hospital access points will stay off the residential streets.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This is a plan that offers a twenty-year solution to the pediatric medical needs of the community.

Thank you,

John Lysette

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Dear Scott Ringgold,

I support the growth of Children's Hospital. I support the growth of Children's Hospital! **I support the Growth of Children's Hospital!** This Medical Center is a great asset to our community and the greater northwest. The City of Seattle needs to support them also.

I firmly believe their growth should not even be questioned. The service they provide is remarkable. The passion they have providing this service is extraordinary. This passion of service is untouchable to any opposition to the hospitals growth.

It is difficult for me to understand why we as a community are even facing this disagreement. The health and welfare of children is and should always be the number one priority. Our society doesn't value the flow of traffic more than we value our children. Do we? I don't.

For six years I worked as a contract employee at Children's Hospital. I had the opportunity to work in several departments and interact with many employees of the hospital. Every staff member's first priority is the children and their families. That first priority is never questioned. The staff at Children's Hospital is very caring and very aware of the impact they have on others and their surroundings.

The hospital has always shown respect to the surrounding neighborhood. They encourage employees to use alternative transportation to reduce traffic congestion. They provide metro bus passes, carpool opportunities, and off campus parking with shuttles. In the past I have also lived off Sandpoint Way. I have experienced commuting as a resident of the area and also as an employee at the hospital. There are several ways to commute in to this area of town. Reality is waiting in traffic an extra 10 minutes or more it is not life threatening however many children's lives do depend on the healthcare they receive at Children's Hospital.

Children's Hospital enriches the city of Seattle. It is the responsibility of our community to support their efforts.

Respectfully,



Rachel Maas

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THE TRUTH ABOUT CHILDREN'S GROWTH

Friends of Children's Hospital Responds to the Laurelhurst Community Club's Claims About Children's Hospital's Plans for Growth

LCC Claim: Are you ready to settle for: A hospital complex nearly 2.5 times larger than the current one. The proposed increase of 1.5 million square feet added to the existing 900,000 square feet results in 2.4 million square feet in a primarily single-family, residential neighborhood that is not a designated urban village. Children's major institution boundary would expand from about 22 acres to 30 acres.

Fact: Children's Hospital is at capacity. The alternative of not expanding is that the hospital will be forced to turn away sick children simply because there are not enough beds. Children's is a 100-year old asset in our region and must grow if it is to continue to meet the growing need for specialized pediatric care.

Children's has worked to contain its growth in a designated area by pursuing the purchase of Laurelhurst Terrace, which allows for the expansion to move closer to Sand Point Way and away from neighborhood streets.

LCC Claim: Are you ready to settle for: Towering buildings at 160 feet. The proposed multiple structures are 55 feet taller than those allowed on any other major institution campus outside of an urban village. Other such institutions are limited to a maximum height of 105 feet on portions of their campuses. Imagine these dominating towers...should they determine the character, views, and even future zoning decisions of our neighborhood?

Fact: The Citizens Advisory Committee, which includes community members and Children's Hospital have worked tirelessly to develop an alternative that lowers the proposed height from 240 feet to 160 feet and takes advantage of the property's slope to maintain the existing view plane. This alternative helps preserve the character of the neighborhood, maintains existing view lines, improves pedestrian and bicycle safety, and keeps much of the construction away from the existing hospital, thereby limiting the construction's impact on patients and families.

LCC Claim: Are you ready to settle for: Traffic congestion. A doubling of on-campus parking to about 3,100 spaces and the addition of 350 patient beds (for a total of 600 beds) will, according to the EIS, double the number of daily vehicle trips generated by Children's. Imagine the additional vehicles along the already clogged NE 45th St. and Sand Point Way corridors.

Fact: Commute reduction methods will expand as hospital grows. The LCC letter makes it seem as though Children's is making traffic worse and doing nothing about it. That is not the case. The hospital already spends millions of dollars a year on its award-winning traffic management plans and will continue to do so.

The traffic numbers LCC cites (hospital growth will double the number of daily vehicle trips) are misleading because they do not consider the efforts Children's is making to reduce vehicle trips and parking needs. In addition, Alternative 7 eliminates the need for entrances and exits onto neighborhood streets, focusing traffic flow on Sand Point Way. The hospital's traffic management plan will continue reduce new vehicle trips through a number of creative solutions.

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In addition, the hospital is widely recognized for its current traffic management efforts, which will be expanded with the hospital's growth. For example, more than 65% of hospital employees currently use bikes, vanpools, buses, carpools, rideshare programs or other means to get to the hospital. It has been recently highlighted by the *Seattle PI*, KING 5 the *Puget Sound Business Journal* and others as one of the most progressive companies in the region when it comes to traffic concerns.

LCC Claim: Are you ready to settle for: Elimination of 230 housing units for neighborhood families. 136 Laurelon Terrace garden condominiums would be demolished, and 100 potential units on the multi-family zoned Hartmann site (which Children's would redevelop as offices and medical services) would never be built, severely reducing the affordability and diversity of housing in our neighborhood.

Fact: **HOUSING REPLACED - NOT LOST.**
The only way for the hospital to meet the neighborhood's desire to preserve views and lower densities is through the possible purchase of the nearly seven acre Laurelon Terrace property, which is contiguous to Children's Laurelhurst campus. This opportunity came about when the board of Laurelon Terrace approached the hospital about purchasing the entire property. The timing was fortuitous, and the CAC was able to develop Alternative 7 to incorporate development on this property in the near-term. The Laurelon Terrace board will vote to approve this sale later this summer. If the sale is approved, each owner will be compensated more than double market value.

It is inaccurate to say that there will be a loss of housing in the neighborhood as Children's will be contributing to the development of 136 new housing units in northeast Seattle.

This is more than a fair effort to replace housing that was sold voluntarily by the owners and is considered a true win for the community, hospital and Laurelon Terrace owners.

LCC Claim: Are you ready to settle for: The future possibility of even more development and upzones. In addition to owning and proposing redevelopment of the Hartmann property and Laurelon Terrace (of which Children's now owns at least 43 of the 136 units), the hospital has a partnership interest in the Springbrook properties. In the past year, it has also acquired at least 9 of the 30 single-family homes on the streets that surround the current campus (not including the 5 homes on NE 45th St. associated with Talaris). Will Children's use these properties for more expansion and upzones, and does it plan to buy even more?

Fact: It is absolutely not true that Children's purchase of homes on the south and east campus perimeters is a precursor to additional development. Expanding the campus into the neighborhood to the east or south is not part of the proposed master plan.

Children's has purchased several single-family homes directly on the east and south perimeters of the hospital campus. Children's Board of Trustees approved these purchases for two reasons: 1) to provide an option for homeowners who wished to sell in order to avoid potential impacts from current development and 2) to have some homes to lease to Children's faculty and staff.

At this point in time, Children's has decided not to purchase additional homes on the hospital's perimeter along 44th, 45th and 50th to the east and south.

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>>> Susan Macek <susan@buchanmacek.com> 7/24/2008 12:08 AM
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Dear Scott,

A little over a year ago I moved from the Seattle area 60 miles north to the Skagit Valley with my husband after raising our children and enjoying a 25-year career at Children's Hospital. I am proud to have worked for a regional pediatric center whose mission for more than 100 years has never wavered—to provide compassionate, excellent care to any child in the 4-state WAMI area, irrespective of a family's financial situation. I was fortunate to cross paths with so many people from all walks of life while working for Children's—staff, volunteers, donors, visitors, and of course, the primary audience of our mission: patients and families. I was always struck by how many came from outside the Seattle area who traveled, sometimes from great distances, to seek care for a loved one, care that was not necessarily available in their own community. As a regional resource, Children's has worked very hard over the years to partner with other providers to provide the best care for children. To do anything less would be unacceptable, and would compromise the very mission on which the hospital was founded.

To date Children's has developed an impressive regional model of health care delivery, by partnering and collaborating with other providers in Washington and beyond to deliver pediatric subspecialty care closer to home for many patients through the establishment of specialty care and telemedicine clinics. By affiliating with the University of Washington the hospital brings academic excellence to the bedside and to the bench in fulfillment of its mission to prevent, treat and eliminate pediatric disease.

I am struck more now than ever, living an hour north of Seattle, of Children's impact as a regional resource. Children's is revered in my new community, as evidenced by the stories I hear about local children who have been cared for at the hospital and by the tremendous support of the guilds who provide amazing philanthropy and service to Children's. It is just as humbling for me today to talk to people about their experiences as it was when I would walk the halls at the hospital. I am eternally thankful that the hospital was there as a resource for our family should we have needed care for either of our two children.

So many in the local community and throughout the state and region rely on Children's for the availability of the expert staff and the beds needed for inpatient stays and clinic visits. As much as the hospital continues to do to provide care in locations beyond the main campus, the fact remains that Children's Hospital is at capacity. During this past winter,

there were a number of days during which every single patient bed in the hospital was filled. To meet the needs of sick children, Children's must add facilities to its Laurelhurst campus over the next 15 to 20 years. If Children's is not allowed to add beds in the next two to five years, the hospital could be forced to turn away sick children. The demand for specialized pediatric care in our region that Children's is uniquely suited to deliver—both from the standpoint of pediatric staff expertise and cost effectiveness— requires the need for up to 600 beds over the next 15 to 20 years. Such expansion would provide for the needs of the increasing number of chronically ill children, who are thankfully living longer than ever before, but also, consequently, requiring more of the kind of high-intensity care only available at Children's. The expansion would also create more single-patient rooms, which offer children and their families privacy while helping stop the spread of infectious disease— a real threat to children with already compromised immune systems.

I support and urge the city to support Children's Alternative 7 as the best alternative to meet the hospital's critical need for space while maintaining the character of the neighborhood. Here's why:

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At Alternative 7 leaves the existing hospital intact during construction, which will ease the burden on patients, families and hospital staff. It will substantially lower the building heights from 240 to 160 feet and take advantage of the existing slope of the Laurelon Terrace property. It will eliminate the need for vehicle access on NE 45th and NE 50th Streets which will result in reduced traffic on the neighborhood streets. This alternative also recommends a transit hub near 40th Street and Sand Point Way, which will make it easier for patients, families, staff and neighbors to get to and from

Children's without the need for a personal vehicle. The orientation of this alternative is away from the single family, residential neighborhoods to the east and closer to Sand Point Way. Finally, this alternative preserves landscaping and open space on the existing campus and offers a more cohesive design and campus plan.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my support for Seattle Children's Hospital. It is truly a remarkable place with a legacy that must continue for the benefit of all children, today and in the future.

Susan Macek
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La Conner, WA 98257
susan@buchanmacek.com

Maurine MacHugh
8309 5th Avenue NE
Seattle, WA 98115

July 4, 2008

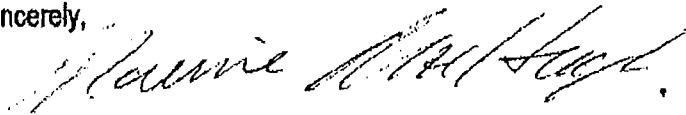
Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P. O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I have lived in Northeast Seattle for over 30 years and have witnessed the amazing work that Children's Hospital offers our community. At one point, my daughter was a patient of Children's Hospital for a month. I was very impressed with the care she received while a patient.

I support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan because it is the best solution for the hospital and the community. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan allows the existing hospital to remain fully functional during the expansion and provides for the hospital's projected needs for the next 20 years. This expansion is an investment in the quality of pediatric care available to our community for years to come.

Sincerely,



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Stephen Malek
2404 NE 65th St
Seattle, WA 98115
piedpiperalehouse@gmail.com

June 26, 2008

Scott Ringgold
Department of Planning and Development
P.O. Box 34019
Seattle, WA 98124-4019

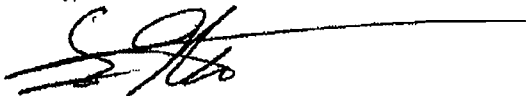
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan is the best solution to an expanded Children's Hospital because it serves the immediate needs of the hospital, while also considering the investments we need to make now for future generations. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan allows the hospital to be uninterrupted by the construction of the expansion and provides more healing gardens for the children and their families who turn to Children's Hospital for medical care.

Additionally, the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan minimizes traffic complications in the area by constructing a new transit hub that will provide access to the Greater Puget Sound area to Children's Hospital staff, patients, and neighbors.

I am a new member of the Northeast Seattle community. I moved here almost 2 years ago from Montana and lived in Colorado before that. As a new member of this community, I appreciate the character that Northeast Seattle offers its residents, and I don't want to see that ruined with over-building. That is why I strongly support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan of Children's Hospital.

Sincerely,



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<<<"Colleen Mallahan" <colleen.mallahan@bateswhite.com> 7/8/2008
3:08 PM>>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. This plan allows the hospital to make room for the children who are now being sent to other, less-equipped facilities in the area. Since attending college at Notre Dame, I no longer live in the Northeast Seattle area full-time. However, I still value the character of this neighborhood and am committed to investing in the future of this area.

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Children's Hospital is an important asset to our neighborhood. When my cousin Hannah was born with serious birth defects, it was the staff at Children's Hospital that made her feel comfortable on her many trips to the hospital. By supporting the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital, you can ensure that thousands of children just like Hannah have access to Children's top-notch facilities.

Thank you,
Colleen Mallahan

>>> kelly malone <malone_k@hotmail.com> 6/27/2008 11:58 AM >>>

My family is very involved with the care of patients with serious illnesses and their families coming from the neighborhood, region and other parts of the United States. As such, we intimately understand the need for Children's to expand.

My house looks out on Children's hospital. It give me pride that we have such a valuable resource so close by and allowing Children's to grow would only serve to increase this pride.

The Children's Hospital Alternative that includes Laurelon Development address the specific neighborhood concerns by lowering building heights, defining superior traffic flow and moves ahead the Organization's lead position as Single Occupancy Vehicle commute reducers.

Our household is in solid support of this plan and encourages the City of Seattle to rapidly embrace the plan so that Children's can progress forward in its second century of providing for kids.

Sincerely,
Kelly J. Malone
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Seattle WA 98115
206 523 7191

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>>> Megan Manazir <mmanazir@waggeneredstrom.com> 7/24/2008 5:39 PM
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Hello Scott,

I am writing this evening to plead with you and the larger Department of Planning and Development to seriously consider Alternative 7 to address the severe growth needs Children's Hospital is facing. As one of the nation's leading academic pediatric medical centers, Children's has no lack of top-level care for the treatment of very ill children. What they do lack is the space to accommodate the treatment of every child that comes through the hospital doors.

With many days at full capacity, there is an urgent call for additional patient beds and additional space. At the very minimum, this expansion must meet spacing requirements for at least 500 beds to accommodate the growing demand of specialized pediatric care in our region. I know I don't have to illustrate for you what these size limitations mean to the health and care of children in need.

To meet the space for an additional 500 beds, Alternative 7 was proposed, suggesting the solution of purchasing the nearly 7-acre Laurelon Terrace site adjacent to the existing Children's Hospital campus. I urge you and your group to consider this. As I am sure you are aware, Alternative 7 is a positive option that preserves the character of the neighborhood, maintains existing view lines, improves pedestrian and bicycle safety, and keeps much of the construction away from the existing hospital. This last point shows how unobtrusive this option is, limiting the construction's impacts on patients, families and immediate neighbors.

I am serving as a counselor for the American Cancer Society's Camp Goodtimes, which provides a week of fun activities for cancer survivors, cancer patients and cancer-patient siblings - all who are under the age of 17. Many of them have been through treatment at Children's Hospital, and have Children's is to thank for their ability to be at camp. Without the space to accommodate everyone who walks through Children's doors, I cannot imagine that some of these kids would be able to join us for camp. With them in mind, as well as the many other children who are seriously ill, I urge you to work hard to find a way to expand Children's Hospital.

Regards,
Megan G. Manazir

Friend of Children's Hospital
American Cancer Society Volunteer

>>> "Mandsager, Dick" <Richard.Mandsager@providence.org> >>>

Dear Mr. Ringgold,

This is a brief letter to support the expansion plans of the Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. It is important to us in Alaska that there be capacity into the future for the children who need transfer to Seattle Children's Hospital. The Seattle Children's Hospital serves as the tertiary referral hospital for the needs of children throughout Alaska.

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,
Dick Mandsager, MD

>>> Dorothy Mann <dmann@cablespeed.com> 6/20/2008 3:03 PM >>>

Scott Ringgold
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Dear Mr. Scott:

I am writing in support of the Children's Hospital and Medical Center (CHMC) alternative plan to meet its current and future bed needs. I understand that CHMC has been working collaboratively with the Citizens Advisory Committee on the new alternative and that it addresses nearly all of the community concerns. Given this good faith effort, I express my support for this option.

By way of background, let me share with you that for nearly 30 years I have been involved in community and public health efforts to improve and maintain the health of this community. CHMC is, of course, a recognized leader in the provision of evidence-based care for children as well as a leader in community health - most notably in its support of the Odessa Brown Clinic. I have had the opportunity and privilege to work with CHMC in my past roles as Regional Health Administrator of Region X of the US Public Health Service and as Chair of Group Health Cooperative. More recently, I have had the opportunity to meet on a collegial basis with the leadership of CHMC in my role as member of the Board of Directors of Virginia Mason Medical Center.

I urge the City to approve CHMC's effort to expand and improve its capacity to provide quality care to our children.

Sincerely,
Dorothy H. Mann, Ph.D., M.P.H.
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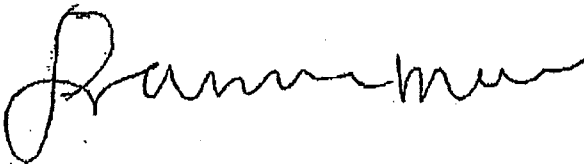
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To Mr. Ringgold:

I am writing to you because I support Alternative 7 and I have heard that some of my neighbors may be voicing opposition. After speaking with many people and researching the project myself, I have found that the opposers are in the small minority. I want you to know that most people in the area understand the importance of a hospital that is big enough to accomodate the demand of the area. People are so passionate about this issue that multiple non-profit and community-based organizations have sprung into action to support this expansion.

There is overwhelming support from my neighbors for Alternative 7. Most people are glad that there is an expansion plan that meets the needs of the hospital without putting towers on the existing building. Traffic is a concern, but most people realize it is a small price to pay for the sort of medical miracles Children's Hospital delivers.

Thank you,



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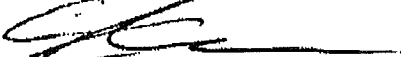
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Expansion of Children's Hospital is critical so they can offer more services to the children of our community. The Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 plan allows them to do just that with very little impact on the neighborhood.

I have been a Seattle area resident for over 20 years. I realize we are a growing community and our system needs to grow to keep up. I hope that we are moving to a more universal healthcare system, in which more people will have access to the kind of care Children's Hospital provides. This means demand will increase even more.

Please support the Laurelon Terrace Alternative 7 expansion plan.


Sincerely,

July 24, 2008

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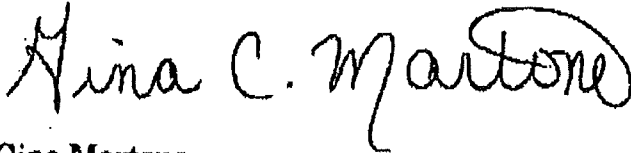
Dear Mr. Ringgold,

I strongly support the Alternative 7 expansion plan. Seattle Children's Hospital is a treasure, and the things it does each day make a huge difference in our community.

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I urge you to join so many of us in this community and support Alternative 7. We thank you for everything you have done, and we are counting on you to work with us in creating the best solution for both the hospital and the surrounding community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gina C. Martone". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and address.

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July 10, 2008

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THE CITY OF SEATTLE
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Re: Seattle Children's Hospital's Draft Major Institution Master Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Ringgold:

I am sending this letter in support of Alternative 7 for the expansion of Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center. Alternative 7 offers several improvements over previous versions.

Alternative 7:

- Leaves the existing hospital intact during construction, which will ease the burden on patients, families and hospital staff.
- Substantially lowers the heights of the buildings from 240 feet to 160 feet and takes advantage of the existing slope of the Laurelon Terrace property.
- Eliminates the need for vehicle access points on NE 45th and NE 50th Streets, thereby reducing the traffic on neighborhood streets.
- Proposes a transit hub near 40th Street and Sandpoint Way, making it easier for patients, families, employees and neighbors to get to and from Children's hospital without an automobile.
- Orients the new development away from the single family, residential neighborhoods to the east and closer to Sandpoint Way.
- Preserves landscaping and open space on the existing campus and presents a more cohesive design and campus plan.

Your support of this critically important expansion project is much appreciated.

Sincerely,



Linda L. Mathisen
Employee
Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center

CC: Michael Jenkins
Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels
Citizens Advisory Committee Members for Children's Hospital and Regional Medical Center c/o Steve Sheppard

July 22, 2008

Mr. Scott Ringgold
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Dear Mr. Ringgold:

Please support the Alternative 7 expansion of Children's Hospital. I work at the Burgermaster near the hospital. We serve many employees of the hospital, and patients and their families often visit our restaurant.

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I am confident that the Alternative 7 plan will provide the beds the hospital needs.

Thank you,



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